MINUTES

Oakdale, California September 14, 2021

The Board of Directors of the Oakdale Irrigation District invited all to recite the Pledge of Allegiance and then met in Regular Session at the hour of 9:00 a.m. Upon roll call, there were present:

Directors:

Tom Orvis, President

Brad DeBoer, Vice President

Herman Doornenbal

Linda Santos Ed Tobias

Staff Present:

Steve Knell, General Manager/Secretary

Sharon Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer

Also Present:

Fred A. Silva, General Counsel Tim O'Laughlin (via Zoom)

ADDITION OR DELETION OF AGENDA ITEMS

There were no items added or deleted.

ACTION TO TAKE VARIOUS ITEMS OUT OF SEQUENCE

There were no items taken out of sequence.

At the hour of 9:02 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM NO. 1

There was one public comment from Robert Frobose.

There being no further Public Comment; Public Comment closed at 9:07 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

Director, Linda Santos, requested that Item No. 3 be pulled from the Consent Calendar

General Manager, Steve Knell, requested that Item No. 8 be pulled from the Consent Calendar

CONSENT ITEMS ITEM NOS. 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9

ITEM NO. 2 APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 17, 2021 AND RESOLUTION NO. 2021-20

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, and seconded by Director Santos, to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 17, 2021 and Resolution No. 2021-20.

ITEM NO. 4 <u>APPROVE OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT</u> IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT'S STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, and seconded by Director Santos, to approve the Oakdale Irrigation District Improvement District's Statement of Obligations.

ITEM NO. 5 APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE SEVEN MONTHS ENDING JULY 31, 2021

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, and seconded by Director Santos, to approve the financial statements for the seven months ending July 31, 2021.

ITEM NO. 6 APPROVE REJECTION OF CLAIM SUBMITTED BY DAVID DIFABIO

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, and seconded by Director Santos, to approve rejection of claim submitted by David DiFabio.

ITEM NO. 7 APPROVE REJECTION OF CLAIM SUBMITTED BY TRECO LLC

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, and seconded by Director Santos, to approve rejection of claim submitted by Treco LLC.

ITEM NO. 9 APPROVE BOARD ATTENDANCE AT THE ACWA FALL CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 30 – DECEMBER 2, 2021 IN PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, and seconded by Director Santos, to approve Board attendance at the ACWA Fall Conference November 30 – December 2, 2021 in Pasadena, California.

PULLED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 3, 8

ITEM NO. 3 APPROVE OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT'S STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

A motion was made by Director Santos, and seconded by Director Tobias, and was unanimously supported to approve the Oakdale Irrigation District's Statement of Obligations.

ITEM NO. 8 <u>APPROVE THE REQUEST TO REFUND STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT THE UNDELIVERED PORTION PUCHASED FROM OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT</u>

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Santos, and was unanimously supported to approve the request to refund Stockton East Water District the undelivered portion purchased from Oakdale Irrigation District.

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ACTION CALENDAR ITEM NO. 10

ITEM NO. 10

REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO CREATE AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TO ADDRESS TRANSITIONAL ISSUES FACING OID

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, and seconded by Director Tobias, to approve the creation of an Ad Hoc Committee to address transitional issues facing OID:

Director Tobias Yes
Director Doornenbal Yes
Director Orvis Yes
Director Santos Yes
Director DeBoer Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

COMMUNICATIONS ITEM NO.11

A. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

General Manager, Steve Knell, discussed the information that was contained in the Board Packet under Communications.

B. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no Committee reports.

C. SUMMARY OF DIRECTORS COMMENTS

Director Tobias

Director Tobias noted that the CSDA 2021 Annual Conference was very informative and had good takeaways that he has shared with his fellow Directors. He thanked Staff for doing a great job.

Director Doornenbal

Director Doornenbal thanked the DSO's for doing such a great job and the staff for making sure the water is getting delivered. He stated how fortunate we are in this part of the valley to be able to farm here, and that there are people in the Central Valley who are really struggling and it is disheartening to see.

Director Santos

Director Santos mentioned she attended an OID tour and was able to speak with Assemblyman Adam Gray and the TID General Manager Michelle Reimers who were in attendance. She expanded on how she liked the idea of working together with our neighboring irrigation districts and building a strong cohesive relationship. She said it was very informative and she felt very positive towards the future cooperation with our neighbors.

Director DeBoer

No comment

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Director Orvis

Director Orvis echoed Director Santos regarding the tour. He stated when you have opportunities to work with your neighboring districts and elected officials it is time well spent. He mentioned the tour was very interesting, with a lot of ideas bouncing back and forth and it bodes well for a regional approach. Director Orvis mentioned the CSDA Conference was very well attended with pertinent breakout sessions. He thanked Sharon Cisneros and Kim Bukhari for attending. Director Orvis closed by thanking staff for keeping this a safe workplace as COVID is not going away anytime soon.

At 9:49 a.m., President Orvis read the items to be discussed in Closed Session and opened for Public Comment on these items.

There was no public comment.

At the hour of 9:49 a.m. Public Comment Closed and the Board took a short recess.

At the hour of 10:00 a.m. the Board reconvened to Closed Session.

ITEM NO. 11:

- A. Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) Existing Litigation SJTA, et al. v. State Water Resources Control Board
- B. Government Code §54956.8 Conference with Real Property Negotiator

Negotiating Parties: OID, SSJID, USBF

OID, SSJID, USBR, San Luis and Delta Mendota Water Authority, Tuolumne Basin Districts, SEWD, Mi-Wuks, Lake Alpine, Various Local Out-of-District Landowners

Property: Water

Agency Negotiators: General Manager and Water Counsel

Under Negotiations: Terms and Price

C. Government Code §54957 – Public Employment: General Manager (update regarding search for new General Manager)

At the hour of 1:16 p.m. the Board reconvened to Open Session.

Coming out of Closed Session, Director Orvis reported the following action:

11.A – By the following roll call vote, the Board voted 4-0 with one abstention to authorize the General Manager to issue a letter to SJTA; Pursuant to Section 9 of the San Joaquin Tributary Authority (SJTA) Agreement, The Oakdale Irrigation District will not participate in the curtailment litigation filed by the SJTA:

Director DeBoer Yes
Director Doornenbal Yes
Director Orvis Yes
Director Santos Abstained

Director Tobias Yes

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OTHER ACTION ITEM NO. 12

At the hour of 1:19 p.m. the meeting was adjourned. The Next regular Board Meeting of the Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors is scheduled for Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Details can be obtained by calling (209) 847-0341.

The next Joint Board Meeting of the South San Joaquin and Oakdale Irrigation Districts serving the Tri-Dam Projects and Tri-Dam Authority and other joint business matters is scheduled for **Thursday**, **September 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.** via teleconference and hosted by South San Joaquin Irrigation District. Details can be obtained by calling (209) 249-4600.

Thomas D. Orvis, President Board of Directors

Attest:

Steve Knell, P.E.

General Manager/Secretary