

## MINUTES

Oakdale, California  
August 4, 2020

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 9:03 a.m. Upon roll call, there were present:

Directors: Tom Orvis, President  
Gail Altieri, Vice President  
Herman Doornenbal  
Linda Santos  
Brad DeBoer

Staff Present: Steve Knell, General Manager/Secretary  
Sharon Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer

Also Present: Fred A. Silva, General Counsel

### **ADDITION OR DELETION OF AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no additions or deletions of Agenda Items.

### **ACTION TO TAKE VARIOUS ITEMS OUT OF SEQUENCE**

There were no items taken out of sequence.

At the hour of 9:05 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM NO. 1**

There being no Public Comment; Public Comment closed at 9:06 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

**CONSENT ITEMS**  
**ITEM NOS. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6**

**ITEM NO. 2**  
**APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 7, 2020 AND RESOLUTION NOS. 2020-27 AND 2020-28**

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and was unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 7, 2020 and Resolution Nos. 2020-27 and 2020-28 by a roll call vote of 5-0.

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

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and was unanimously supported to approve the Oakdale Irrigation District's Statement of Obligations by a roll call vote of 5-0.

**ITEM NO. 4**  
**APPROVE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT'S STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS**

A motion as made by Director DeBoer, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and was unanimously supported to approve the Improvement District's Statement of Obligations by a roll call vote of 5-0.

**ITEM NO. 5**  
**APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT, MID-YEAR BUDGET REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 2020**

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and was unanimously supported to approve the Treasurer's Report, Mid-Year Budget Report and Financial Statements for the six months ending June 30, 2020 by a roll call vote of 5-0.

**ITEM NO. 6**  
**APPROVE AWARD OF BID TO VALLEY PETERBILT FOR ONE (1) 2020/2021 HEAVY HAUL TRUCK/LOWBOY TRAILER (BUDGETED)**

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and was unanimously supported to approve award of bid to Valley Peterbilt for one (1) 2020/2021 heavy haul truck/lowboy trailer (budgeted) by a roll call vote of 5-0

The above consent items were voted by the following roll call vote:

Director Altieri

Yes

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

**ACTION CALENDAR**  
**ITEMS NO. 7**

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**REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON A PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE A REBATE  
OF THE VOLUMETRIC WATER RATE TO OID WATER USER CONSTITUENTS**

A motion was made by Director Santos and was seconded by Director Altieri to approve the proposal to provide a rebate of the volumetric water rate to OID water user constituents and was voted by the following roll call vote:

Director Altieri	Yes
Director Santos	Yes
Director Doornenbal	No
Director Orvis	No
Director DeBoer	No

The motion failed by a 2-3 vote.

**COMMUNICATIONS**  
**ITEM NO. 8**

**A. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT**

General Manager Steve Knell went over the information that was contained in the Board Packet under Communications.

**B. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There was Finance Committee Meeting on July 20, 2020. This item was previously discussed under Action Item No. 7.

**C. SUMMARY OF DIRECTORS COMMENTS**

Director Altieri

Director Altieri stated that she recently went kayaking on the Stanislaus River and could not believe how many fish were visually available. Director Altieri stated that she saw several schools of fish.

Director Santos

Director Santos stated that she thought the irrigation season was going well. She stated that the District is halfway through the season and it seems to be working for most constituents and everybody is getting the water that they need.

Director Doornenbal

Director Doornenbal had no comments.

Director DeBoer

Director DeBoer had no comments.

Director Orvis

Director Orvis commented on the numbers that were presented earlier on water use so far this year and that we are 34,000 af above what the District used last year. Director Orvis stated that June was a very big month and we are trending up on water use. Director Orvis stated that the General Manager discussed the La Niña prediction for later this year. He stated that the Board will have to decide whether to provide October water.

At the hour of 9:53 a.m. the Board took a short recess and adjourned into Closed Session at 10:00 a.m.

**CLOSED SESSION**  
**ITEM NO. 9**

**A. Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) – Existing Litigation (1 Case)**

Tri-Dam Project, OID and SSJID v. Linda Santos

**B. Government Code §54957(b) – Public Employment**

Title: General Counsel

**C. Government Code §54957(b) - Public Employee  
Performance Evaluation**

Title: General Manager

At the hour of 10:00 a.m. Director Santos recused herself from Closed Session Item A and left the Board Room. At the hour of 10:20 a.m. Director Santos returned to the Board Room.

At the hour of 10:20 a.m. General Counsel Fred A. Silva left the Board Room prior to discussing Closed Session Item B and returned to the Board Room at 10:39 a.m.

At the hour of 11:08 a.m. the Board reconvened to open session. Director Orvis reported that in the case of Tri-Dam Project, OID and SSJID v. Linda Santos the parties entered into a Settlement and Mutual Release Agreement and that the Agreement had been fully executed. Director Orvis stated that there are still some provisions of the Agreement that need to be completed by certain deadline dates and General Counsel Fred A. Silva will

update the Board on those provisions being fulfilled at the next Board Meeting. The Settlement and Mutual Release Agreement is available upon request.

**OTHER ACTION**  
**ITEM NO. 10**

At the hour of 11:13 a.m. the meeting was adjourned. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.** via teleconference. 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, August 20, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.** via teleconference and hosted by SSJID. Details can be obtained by calling (209) 249-4600.

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Thomas D. Orvis, President

Attest:

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Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary