

## MINUTES

Oakdale, California  
August 2, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Oakdale Irrigation District invited all to recite the Pledge of Allegiance and then met in 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: Scot A. Moody, General Manager/Secretary  
Sharon Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer  
Eric Thorburn, Water Operations Manager/District Engineer  
Kim Bukhari, Human Resources Administrator

Also Present: Fred Silva, General Counsel  
Tim O'Laughlin, Water Counsel

### ADDITION OR DELETION OF AGENDA ITEMS

There were no additions or deletion of agenda items.

### ACTION TO TAKE VARIOUS ITEMS OUT OF SEQUENCE

Director DeBoer requested Item 11 A and B be taken out of sequence, and discussed prior to proceeding.

At 9:03 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 9:03 a.m. Public Comment closed, the Board convened to Closed Session at 9:03 a.m.

### CLOSED SESSION ITEM NO. 11

- A. Government Code §54957.6 – Conference with Labor Negotiators**  
Negotiating Parties: General Manager, Human Resources  
Administrator  
Represented Organization: OE3  
Unrepresented Organization: Non-Exempt Confidential, Exempt Supervisory  
and Exempt Management Bargaining Groups
- B. Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) – Existing Litigation**  
SJTA, et al. v. State Water Resources Control Board  
Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding 5013

At the hour of 9:46 a.m. the Board reconvened to Open Session.

Coming out of Closed Session, President Orvis stated there were no reportable actions.

At the hour of 9:47 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**ITEM NO. 1**

There was no public comment.

Public Comment closed at 9:47 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

**CONSENT ITEMS**  
**ITEM NOS. 2 – 5**

- 2. Approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Special Meeting of July 19, 2022
- 3. Approve Oakdale Irrigation District's Statement of Obligations
- 4. Approve OID Improvement Districts' Statement of Obligations
- 5. Approve the Abandonment and Quitclaim of the Oakdale Lateral (APN: 064-012-011)

A motion was made by Director Santos, and seconded by Director DeBoer to approve the Consent Calendar as submitted.

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

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

**ACTION CALENDAR**  
**ITEM NOS. 6 - 9**

Item No 6

Review and Take Possible Action to Approve Entering into A Contract with A Broker of Record for Employee Benefits and Allow the General Manager to Execute

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, and seconded by Director Santos, to approve entering into a contract with a broker of record for employee benefits and allow the General Manager to execute:

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



The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Item No 7

Review and take possible action to Approve the Treasurer's Report, Mid-Year Budget Report, and Financial Statements for the Six Months Ending June 30, 2022

A motion was made by Director Santos, and seconded by Director Doornenbal, to approve the Treasurer's report, mid-year budget report, and financial statements for the six months ending June 30, 2022:

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

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Item No 8

Review and take possible action to Direct Staff to Proceed with Preparation of a Grant Application for Expansion of the Paulsell Lateral Under Round 2 of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, and seconded by Director Tobias, to direct staff to proceed with preparation of a grant application for expansion of the Paulsell lateral under round 2 of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program:

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

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Item No 9

Review and take possible action to Approve the Draft Terms and Conditions, Open Enrollment and Proceed with Preparation of a CEQA Document for the Proposed 10-Year Out-of-District Water Sale Program

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, and seconded by Director Santos, to amend the draft terms and conditions for section 6B to add "at Oakdale Irrigation District's sole discretion"

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

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Director DeBoer to amend the draft terms and conditions for section 6C to



change the increase of 3% annually, to be determined off the consumer price index. The motion failed with no second.

A motion was made by Director Santos, and seconded by Director Tobias, to approve the amended draft terms and conditions, open enrollment and proceed with preparation of a CEQA document for the proposed 10-year out-of-district water sale program:

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.10**

**A. SUMMARY OF DIRECTORS COMMENTS**

**Director DeBoer**

Director DeBoer stated he was glad to see the 10-Year Out-of-District program begin. He added that he is troubled by the unknown of what the State of California (State) will do in regards to water. He stated that the 5-year out of district program was delayed due to uncertainty with the State, and the District still does not know at this point. Director DeBoer closed by stating that this program is a good blueprint for other Districts, and he thanked staff for working on the program.

**Director Santos**

Director Santos stated she was pleased that the District is at this point with the 10-year out of district program, and that the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) is difficult, and the out of district program will prove to the State that Oakdale Irrigation District is environmentally sound and can be an agricultural community that produces. Santos ended by stating she is proud to be part of this program, and she thanked Eric Thorburn, Water Operations Manager/District Engineer and his staff for working with the farmers on the program.

**Director Doornenbal**

Director Doornenbal stated he was glad to see the 10-year out of district program moving forward, adding that there will be hurdles, but the District will make it work. He added he is thankful for the water supply, and not everyone can state that. Doornenbal ended by thanking everyone at the District.

**Director Tobias**

Director Tobias stated that it is a great opportunity to be in the forefront, and moving forward on the 10-year out of district program, and being an example of what needs to happen in the State. Tobias thanked staff for working on the project, and thanked Sharon Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer for her work at Tri-Dam.

**Director Orvis**

Director Orvis stated that the District has a great staff, there are other District's who are bigger and have more water, but Oakdale Irrigation District is using the resources we can. Orvis thanked Sharon Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer and Scot Moody, General Manager for working double duty. Orvis shared that he was at the Water Advisory Committee Meeting last week, and that members of the

District need to remember with SGMA and the Governors orders with well permits, it is going to be difficult, even with domestic wells. Orvis gave a reminder that the Stanislaus County is working to deal with those challenges, and that SGMA is teaching us that groundwater is a last resort.

**B. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no committee reports.

**C. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT**

General Manager, Scot A. Moody, gave an update on OID activities.

**D. WATER COUNSEL REPORT**

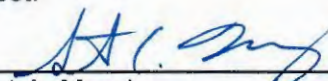
There was no Water Counsel report.

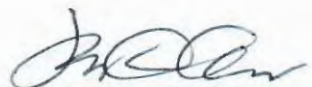
**OTHER ACTION**  
**ITEM NO. 12**

At the hour of 11:27 a.m. the meeting was adjourned. The next Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 6, 2022 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 Project and Tri-Dam Authority and other joint business matters is scheduled for **Thursday, August 25, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.** in Strawberry, CA.

Attest:

  
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Scot A. Moody  
General Manager/Secretary

  
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Thomas D. Orvis, President  
Board of Directors