

MINUTES

Oakdale, California
January 18, 2017

The Board of Directors of the Oakdale Irrigation District invited all to recite the Pledge of Allegiance and then met in Special Session at the hour of 6:00 p.m. Upon roll call, there were present:

Directors:	Steve Webb, President Herman Doornenbal, Vice President Gary Osmundson Gail Altieri Linda Santos
Staff Present:	Steve Knell, General Manager/Secretary Jason Jones, Support Services Manager Eric Thorburn, Water Operations Manager Kathy Cook, 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 agenda items taken out of sequence.

At the hour of 6:00 p.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM NO. 1

Damon Woods stated that he would like to see the District not sell water and instead keep the water in the District and give it to the constituents.

Robert Frobose commented on how public comments are reflected in the Minutes.

There being no further Public Comment; Public Comment closed at 6:05 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING
ITEM NO. 2

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PUBLIC HEARING TO ACCEPT COMMENTS ON THE EXECUTION OF THE
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FORMING THE STANISLAUS AND
TUOLUMNE RIVERS GROUNDWATER BASIN ASSOCIATION GROUNDWATER
SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY FOR THE MODESTO SUB-BASIN

Public comment was opened up at 6:05 p.m.

There being no public comments, the public hearing closed at the hour of 6:05 p.m.

Director Altieri requested that Item No. 13 be pulled from the Consent Calendar; Director Santos requested that Item Nos. 8, 11, 12, and 14 be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

CONSENT ITEMS
ITEM NOS. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10

ITEM NO. 3
APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 3, 2017 AND
RESOLUTION NOS. 2017-01, 2017-02, 2017-03, 2017-04, 2017-05, AND 2017-06

A motion was made by Director Osmundson, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 3, 2017 and Resolution Nos. 2017-01, 2017-02, 2017-03, 2017-04, 2017-05, and 2017-06.

ITEM NO. 4
APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF DECEMBER 21, 2016 AND RESOLUTION NO. 2016-81.

A motion was made by Director Osmundson, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Special Meeting of December 21, 2016 and Resolution No. 2016-81.

ITEM NO. 5
APPROVE THE OAKDALE IRRIGATION
DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

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

ITEM NO. 6
APPROVE IMPROVEMENT
DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

A motion was made by Director Osmundson, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Improvement District's Statement of Obligations

ITEM NO. 7
APPROVE ASSIGNMENT OF
CAPITAL WORK ORDER NUMBERS

A motion was made by Director Osmundson, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the assignment of the following Capital Work Order Numbers:

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Work Order No.</u>
South Main Canal	Condor design, plans, and specifications for the long-term repairs of Segment 4.	\$ 72,182	2016-065
Lesnini Lateral	Install 1200' of 36" 100 PSI PIP PVC, 1-12"-18" rip rap, 11-36" 22.5 degree elbows, 3-36" 45 degree elbows, and 2-36" 90 degree elbows. (APN: 002-066-016)	202,100	2017-003
Faxon Headgate	Install 1-Rubicon FlumeMeter, 3-Toughsonic level sensors, 1-Rug3 Controller and misc. appurtenances. (APN: 064-031-029)	37,700	2017-004
Young Lateral	Install 1-12" turnout, 1-21" turnout, 1-5'x7' pre-cast MBI turnout structure, 1-21" coupler, 1-21" x8' Fresno 101C gate, and misc. appurtenances. (APN: 002-012-063)	42,100	2017-005
Palmer Lateral	Install 3-Toughsonic level sensors, 1-Rug3 Controller, 1-serial radio and misc. appurtenances. (APN: 014-021-003/005)	13,300	2017-006

ITEM NO. 9
APPROVE PURCHASE OF NEW POSTAGE
METER FROM HASLER/NEOPOST (BUDGETED ITEM)

A motion was made by Director Osmundson, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the purchase of a new postage meter from Hasler/Neopost (budgeted item).

ITEM NO. 10
APPROVE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE CALIFORNIA FARM
WATER COALITION FOR THEIR AGRICULTURAL WATER EXHIBITS

A motion was made by Director Osmundson, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the donation to the California Farm Water Coalition for their Agricultural Water Exhibits.

The above Consent Items passed unanimously by the following vote:

Ayes:	Directors Webb, Doornenbal, Osmundson, Altieri, Santos
Noes:	None
Absent:	None

PULLED CONSENT ITEMS
ITEM NOS. 8, 11, 12, 13, 14

ITEM NO. 8
APPROVE ANNUAL REVIEW OF ASSIGNED VEHICLES

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Osmundson, and unanimously supported to approve the Annual Review of Assigned Vehicles.

ITEM NO. 11
APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 05 TO PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES AGREEMENT 2011-PSA-008 WITH DAVIDS
ENGINEERING, INC. FOR REVISED HOURLY RATE SCHEDULE

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve the Amendment No. 05 to Professional Services Agreement 2011-PSA-008 with Davids Engineering, Inc. for revised hourly rate schedule.

ITEM NO. 12
APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 003 TO GENERAL
SERVICES AGREEMENT 2015-GSA-002 WITH
SIERRA CONTROLS, LLC FOR TECHNICAL SUPPORT

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve Work Release No. 003 to General Services Agreement 2015-GSA-002 with Sierra Controls, LLC for Technical Support.

ITEM NO. 13
APPROVE TEMPORARY PERMIT WITH
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION FOR GRAVEL INJECTION

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Santos, and unanimously supported to approve the Temporary Permit with Bureau of Reclamation for Gravel Injection.

ITEM NO. 14
APPROVE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE REVISED
FRINGE PARCELS WATER ALLOCATION POLICY (AMENDED)

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Osmundson, and unanimously supported to approve the Resolution Adopting the Revised Fringe Parcels Water Allocation Policy (Amended).

The above Pulled Consent Items passed unanimously by the following vote:

Ayes:	Directors Webb, Doornenbal, Osmundson, Altieri, Santos
Noes:	None
Absent:	None

ACTION CALENDAR
ITEMS NOS. 15, 16

ITEM NO. 15
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FORMING THE STANISLAUS AND
TUOLUMNE RIVERS GROUNDWATER BASIN ASSOCIATION (STRGBA)
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY AND AUTHORIZE STRGBA TO
PREPARE AND SUBMIT NOTICE OF STRGBA'S ELECTION TO BE THE
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY ASSOCIATION FOR THE
MODESTO SUB-BASIN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to adopt the Resolution Authorizing the General Manager to Execute the Memorandum of Understanding Forming the Stanislaus and Tuolumne Rivers Groundwater Basin Association (STRGBA) Groundwater Sustainability Agency and Authorize STRGBA to prepare and submit Notice of STRGBA's Election to be the Groundwater Sustainability Association for the Modesto Sub-Basin to the Department of Water Resources.

The above item passed unanimously by the following vote:

Ayes:	Directors Webb, Doornenbal, Osmundson, Altieri, Santos
Noes:	None
Absent:	None

ITEM NO. 16
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO AMEND THE OAKDALE
IRRIGATION DISTRICT'S ORGANIZATIONAL CHART TO ELIMINATE ONE
ASSISTANT ENGINEER AND ADD AN ASSOCIATE ENGINEER POSITION

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to amend the Organizational Chart to eliminate one Assistant Engineer and add an Associate Engineer position.

The above item passed unanimously by the following vote:

Ayes:	Directors Webb, Doornenbal, Osmundson, Altieri, Santos
Noes:	None
Absent:	None

**DISCUSSION CALENDAR
ITEM NOS. 17, 18**

**ITEM NO. 17
DISCUSSION ON WORKLOAD AND OBJECTIVES FOR 2017**

General Manager discussed the workload and objectives for 2017.

**ITEM NO. 18
DISCUSSION ON BUSINESS ITEMS AS THEY APPEAR ON THE
TRI-DAM BOARD AGENDA FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2017**

There was no discussion on this item.

**COMMUNICATIONS
ITEM NO. 19**

A. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Safety Activities

1. OID has gone 85 days without a lost time injury accident.

Administration Activities

1. Continuing to develop and prepare comments to the Water Quality Control Plan (Unimpaired Flow Standard) from the State Water Resources Control Board.
2. Settlement discussions on the Stanislaus River had a first meeting on January 11, 2017.
3. OE3 labor negotiations continue.
4. Exchanging Action Plan concepts with City Manager of City of Oakdale.
5. Small mudslide in South Main. Two other smaller slides have occurred.
6. Tunnel tours scheduled for January 11th for Farm Bureau auction winner Joe Tune have been cancelled due to mudslides.
7. Chamber of Commerce Community Awards Dinner to be held on January 20th. Contact Lori for tickets. OID's AJ Borba to receive recognition for completion of the Chamber's Leadership Program.
8. City of Oakdale's Mayor Luncheon to be held on January 25th. Contact Lori for tickets.
9. Will be attending a seminar in Aptos put on by Steamboat Institute on "The Path Forward: America in 2017 and Beyond. A presenter will be President Elect Trump's nominee for the Secretary of Interior, Ryan Zinke. Both SSJID and OID will be able to discuss the new WRDA legislation and the potential benefits to our river with the Secretary Nominee.

Legal Activities

1. OID/SSJID vs the State Water Resources Control Board; Court date anticipated to be set for next summer.
2. OID/SSJID as intervenors in the CalSPA v. SWRCB; A trial date is set for Alameda County Court on August 7, 2017.
3. OGA/Brichetto/Frobose vs. OID regarding CEQA case:
 - a. Trial set for January 18th
4. OGA/Brichetto/Frobose vs. OID regarding Contempt of Court by OID:
 - a. Hearing set for January 18th
5. OID vs Directors Santos and Altieri regarding their ability to be in Closed Session on matters related to the OGA case due to their declarations in support of the OGA case, two breaches of closed session, and undisclosed conflict of interests with Frobose.
 - a. The case is moving forward.
6. Recall of Director for District 4
 - a. Recall election approved by the County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday January 10th.
 - b. Candidacy period open from January 11th to February 9th.
 - c. A Recall election is scheduled for April 25th.
7. Redistricting Process
 - a. Staff had a conference call with Stanislaus County IT/GIS personnel. Lots of updating and data exchanges occurring.
 - b. Regulatory compliance date is 180 days preceding the election or May 11th.

Construction Activities

1. C&M crews and equipment operators continue to progress on capital projects and maintenance work.
2. Assisting Water Ops./Eng. Dept. with various tasks including storm water management.
3. Conducting Safety Coordinator tasks as needed. A CPR/First Aid/AED training class was conducted on 1/5.
4. Conducting Contract Administration tasks as needed.
5. C&M Worker – The third candidate, Chris Reece started employment at OID on 1/3.
6. C&M Leadman – Post In-House for the vacant position. Posting closed on 1/13.
7. Two Mile Bar Tunnel Project – An additional pre-bid meeting and site visit was conducted on 1/13. There has been five addendums issued as of 1/13 addressing questions presented by the potential bidders. Bids are due on 1/19 and will be presented to the BOD for award of bid on 2/7 with a recommendation from staff. Start of construction is anticipated to be between 3/1 and 4/15 and will be determined based on the contractors schedule. Substantial completion date for the Project is still 12/31/2018.
8. Received the crew truck cab and chassis from Haidlen Ford and delivered the truck to Stiles to fabricate and install the custom bed.
9. Completed and submitted the annual California Environmental Reporting System (CERS) documents for 2017. This program identifies the chemicals used and stored by the District including an Emergency Response Plan and Training Plan.
10. Preparing Request for Bid (RFB) documents and specifications on items approved as part of the 2017 Budget.

Water Operations Activities

Engineering

1. Continued to process Encroachment and Ag Discharge Agreements and conduct field inspections during installation of the associated facilities.
2. Staff continued to work with landowners requesting deferred conditions of approval agreements, encroachment agreements and easements in accordance to OID's requirements for continued irrigation on recently completed lot line adjustments and parcel split projects.
3. Evapotranspiration (ET) monitoring stations installed as part of the 2016 ET Monitoring and Measurement Project collected data through the end of October. The Tule ET stations remain in most the fields to collect additional data for the full year of the contract period (+/- May 2016). Amendments to reflect the extended contract period are in the process of being executed with each landowner.
4. Staff continued to work with South San Joaquin Irrigation District, Calaveras County Water District, San Joaquin County and Stanislaus County to complete the draft mapping of OID's proposed Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) boundaries in the East San Joaquin Groundwater Basin (ESJGBA). The required GSA hearing, resolution and final filing is anticipated to be completed during the first few months of the year to allow for each election being proposed to meet or precede the June 2017 90-day posting, Department of Water Resources review and final approval deadline.
5. Staff attended the ESJGBA work group meeting on January 11th. Revisions to the draft JPA agreement and GSA formation status were discussed. A draft JPA is anticipated to be finalized for Board review and consideration after the February 8th work group meeting.
6. A public hearing announcement of the intent to execute the Stanislaus and Tuolumne Groundwater Basin Association (STRGBA) GSA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and form the STRGBA GSA in representation of the Modesto Groundwater Subbasin was posted in the Oakdale Leader on December 28th and again on January 4th. A public hearing followed by potential adoption by OID's Board of Directors will occur at the January 18th meeting. Each agency is anticipated to take action to adopt the MOU on or before February 14th to allow for a formal filing for GSA formation to be submitted to the Department of Water Resources within the 30-day window permitted under the new groundwater legislation.
7. Staff attended the STRGBA meeting on January 12th. The STRGBA GSA MOU adoption and public hearing status of each member agency was discussed to ensure everyone was on schedule.
8. Staff attended the Stanislaus County Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting on January 12th. The status of Stanislaus County's Programmatic Environmental Impact Report and groundwater model was provided. The project is continuing to proceed through the data assembly stage.
9. Staff is in the process of completing draft Annexation Agreements for review and discussion with each applicant prior to bringing them back to the board for final direction and approval.
10. Staff is working with CH2M and Stanislaus County staff to generate a draft boundary adjustment proposal that will balance not only population, but also more equally distribute acreage and small and large parcels amongst each director's division. A GIS shapefile of other existing County election precinct boundaries was also provided to OID staff for review and consideration in doing so.

11. City staff continued to address a series of questions on the draft City of Oakdale Out of Boundary Service Agreement with OID on behalf of ID 41. Once these questions have been answered the agreement will be provided to the ID 41 membership for approval to proceed.
12. Staff continued the surveying, design, cost estimates, landowner meetings and drafting of plans for 2016/17 winter work projects.

Aq Water

1. Continued to respond and address questions regarding volumetric water deliveries as they were received.
2. OID staff will began working with DWR through the draft grant agreement process prior to final approval by the Board and initiation of any construction. DWR staff anticipates the execution of the agreement to take a minimum of 6 months, but also requires it to be complete within one year of the awards announcement.
3. The pre-employment process was completed for two new DSO/C&M Workers. Steven Pattison's first day was January 10th and Chris Becker will be starting on January 23rd.
4. Continued to progress with updates and slight modifications to the Storm tracking software mainly based on customer and DSO feedback to continue to improve functionality and effective utilization of the software.
5. Winter water operations continued. OID has fared quite well over the last series of storm events due to considerable preparation and planning.

Water Utilities

1. Improvement District No. 41:
 - Pumping Station No. 3 remains out of service due to high turbidity issues.
2. Domestic Water Pumping Stations:
 - All Domestic Water Pumping Stations that are in service are operational.
3. Domestic Water Systems:
 - a. All water systems are operating without restrictions.
 - b. Performed quarterly blow-off valve exercising.
 - c. Performed Air Relief Valve exercising.
 - d. Annual testing of all backflow devices has been completed in accordance with OID's Cross Connection Control Policy.
 - e. Conducted inspections of all well head seals and continued to replace them as needed.
4. On-Call Activities:
 - There were zero on-call activities to report.
5. Knights Ferry Pumping Station:
 - a. The Knights Ferry Pumps are active and continued to provide water to the treatment plant.
6. Irrigation Pumping Stations:
 - Agricultural deep well pumps have been deactivated for winter.
 - Inspections continued on all drain pumps that have been left in service for the winter.

Finance Activities

1. As directed by Resolution No. 96-01 and pursuant to California Government Code Section 53065.5, the written statements of Disclosures of Reimbursement of Amounts

to employees and directors paid by the District during 2015 of at least \$100 for an individual charge for service or product received are available for public review at the office of the District's Chief Financial Officer, Kathy Cook

2. Preparing closing entries for 2016 year-end, in addition to routine accounting functions (AP, AR, PR, billings, account reconciliations, etc.)
3. Fedek and Brown LLP is scheduled to be on-site on the week of January 23, 2017 to begin pre-audit work on the 2016 audit. A Finance Committee meeting will be scheduled for a pre-audit discussion.
4. Routine accounting functions (AP, AR, PR, billing, reconciliations, etc.)
5. Preparation of PR 4th QTR reporting and W2s.
6. Preparation of 1099 reporting.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee meetings.

C. GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

General Counsel Fred A. Silva reported that he contacted Mr. Macko pursuant to Mr. Frobose's request to obtain a copy of the investigative report concerning the recall election. Mr. Silva was advised by Mr. Macko that he did not have and was not aware of any investigative report on the recall election.

C. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

Director Altieri

Director Altieri commented that there was 22 inches of rain in the snowpack. Director Altieri also commented that there was a private citizen following the court hearing that morning who went behind closed doors with the General Manager and General Counsel Fred A. Silva. General Counsel Fred A. Silva stated that he was a potential witness and asked that the ruling be explained to him and wanted to know how soon the Judge would make his ruling.

Director Santos

Director Santos had no comments.

Director Doornenbal

Director Doornenbal had no comments.

Director Osmundson

Director Osmundson stated that the District has been selling water for fifteen (15) years. The District on average sells 10% and forfeits 22% of its water every year.

Director Webb

Director Webb had no comments.

At the hour of 7:17 p.m. the Meeting adjourned to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION
ITEM NO. 20

A. Government Code §54957.6 - Conference with Labor Negotiator

Agency Negotiator: General Manager

Represented Employee: OE3

B. Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) - Existing Litigation

Oakdale Irrigation District v. Linda Santos, Gail Altieri, et al.

Oakdale Groundwater Alliance; Frobose; Brichetto, et al. v. Oakdale

At the hour of 7:32 p.m. the Board returned to open session.

Coming out of Closed Session Director Webb stated that there was no reportable action.

OTHER ACTION
ITEM NO. 21

At the hour of 7:32 p.m. the meeting was adjourned. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room at 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA.

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, January 19, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room of the Oakdale Irrigation District, 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA

Steve Webb, President

Attest:

Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary