

MINUTES

Oakdale, California
August 6, 2019

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 8:00 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
Jason Jones, Support Services Manager
Eric Thorburn, Water Operations Manager
Sharon Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer
Kim Bukhari, Human Resource Analyst

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 8:02 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM NO. 1

There being no Public Comment; Public Comment closed at 8:04 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

HEARING CALENDAR
ITEM NO. 2

ITEM NO. 2
PUBLIC HEARING AND CERTIFICATION OF THE IMPROVEMENT
DISTRICT NO. 41 (ID 41) MEMBERSHIP VOTE TO AUTHORIZE THE
OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT (OID) TO PROCEED WITH THE LOWEST
QUOTED CONTRACTOR TO PERFORM THE WORK FOR ID 41 TIE-IN TO
THE CITY OF OAKDALE PROJECT AND TO USE FUNDS CURRENTLY
CONTAINED IN THE ID 41 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE FUND
TO PAY FOR THE ACTUAL COST OF THE PROJECT (ESTIMATED \$101,100)

Water Operations Manager Eric Thorburn gave the Board of Directors some background information on Improvement District No. 41.

At the hour of 8:05 a.m. Director Orvis opened the hearing up to the public. There were no members of the public wishing to make a public comment and the Public Hearing was closed at the hour of 8:05 a.m.

Water Operations Manager Eric Thorburn stated that the Improvement District No. 41 Membership voted to authorize the Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) to proceed with the lowest quoted contractor to perform the work for ID 41 Tie-In to the City of Oakdale Project and to use the funds currently contained in the ID 41 Operations and Maintenance Fund to pay for the actual cost of the Project (estimated \$101,100) by the following vote:

Ayes:	16
Unreturned Ballots:	22
(A non-vote is considered a vote of approval.)	
Noes:	0
Passed by a total vote of	38-0

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Santos, and was unanimously supported to certify the vote of Improvement District No. 41 Membership to authorize the Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) to proceed with lowest quoted contractor to perform the work for ID 41 Tie-In to the City of Oakdale Project and to use the funds currently contained in the ID 41 Operations and Maintenance Fund to pay for the actual cost of the Project (estimated \$101,100).

CONSENT ITEMS
ITEM NOS. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

ITEM NO. 3
APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS'
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 23,
2019 AND RESOLUTION NOS. 2019-12, 2019-13 AND 2019-14

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Santos, and was unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular meeting of July 23, 2019 and Resolution Nos. 2019-12, 2019-13 and 2019-14.

ITEM NO. 4
APPROVE THE OAKDALE IRRIGATION
DISTRICT'S STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

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

ITEM NO. 5
APPROVE IMPROVEMENT
DISTRICT'S STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

A motion as made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Santos, and was unanimously supported to approve the Improvement District's Statement of Obligations.

ITEM NO. 6
APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 2019

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Santos, and was unanimously supported to approve the Treasurer's Report for the six months ending June 30, 2019

ITEM NO. 7
APPROVE RENEWAL OF GROUP LIFE
INSURANCE WITH PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Santos, and was unanimously supported to approve the renewal of group life insurance with Principal Life Insurance Company.

ITEM NO. 8
APPROVE BOARD ATTENDANCE AT THE ACWA / JPIA FALL
CONFERENCE DECEMBER 2 - 5, 2019 IN SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Santos, and was unanimously supported to approve the Board's attendance at the ACWA / JPIA Fall Conference December 2 - 5, 2019 in San Diego, California.

ITEM NO. 9
APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 021 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
AGREEMENT 2009-PSA-003 WITH CONDOR EARTH TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
TO PERFORM A PSM/RMP FIVE-YEAR UPDATE AND COMPLIANCE AUDIT

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Santos, and was unanimously supported to approve Work Release No. 021 to Professional Services Agreement 2009-PSA-003 with Condor Earth Technologies, Inc. to perform a PSM/RMP Five-Year Update and Compliance Audit.

ITEM NO. 10
APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT 2019-PSA-004 WITH LIEBERT
CASSIDY WHITMORE AND AUTHORIZE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Santos, and unanimously supported to approve Professional Services Agreement 2019-PSA-004 with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore and authorize the General Manager to execute.

ACTION CALENDAR
ITEMS NOS. 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18

ITEM NO. 11
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO CHANGE
THE NAME OF THE TWO-MILE BAR TUNNEL TO THE STEVEN A. WEBB TUNNEL

A motion was made by Director Orvis for reconsideration of the action taken on December 5, 2017, seconded by Director DeBoer. Director Santos stated that a reconsideration should be done at the time that the motion is made or at the next following meeting according to Parliamentary Procedure and Robert's Rules.

Director Orvis removed the motion for reconsideration and asked for a motion to renew by a new main motion. A motion to renew by a new main motion was made by Director DeBoer and seconded by Director Doornenbal to adopt the Resolution to Change the Name of the Two-Mile Bar Tunnel to the Steven A. Webb Tunnel, and was voted by the following roll call vote:

Director Altieri	No
Director Doornenbal	Yes

Director Orvis	Yes
Director Santos	No
Director DeBoer	Yes

Motion passed by a 3-2 vote.

At the hour of 8:28 a.m. Public Comment was re-opened and the Board welcomed Congressional Representative Karen Warner, the Local District Chief of Staff for Congressman Josh Harder. Congressional Representative Karen Warner introduced Adela Amador, Deputy Chief and Legislative Director from D. C., who gave the Board a brief update on some of the water legislation and work that has been happening in Washington D. C.

At the hour of 8:35 a.m. Public Comment closed and the Board Meeting continued.

ITEM NO. 12
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO AWARD BID TO THE LOWEST QUALIFIED BIDDER FOR THE SOUTH MAIN CANAL IMPROVEMENT SEGMENT FOUR LONG TERM REPAIRS PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE ASSOCIATED CHANGE ORDERS

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director DeBoer, and was unanimously supported to award the bid to Sierra Mountain Construction, Inc. for the South Main Canal Improvement Segment Four Long Term Repairs Project and to authorize the General Manager to execute associated change orders.

ITEM NO. 13
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 022 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT 2009-PSA-003 WITH CONDOR EARTH TECHNOLOGIES, INC. TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND QUALITY ASSURANCE SERVICES FOR THE OID SOUTH MAIN CANAL SEGMENT FOUR LONG TERM REPAIRS PROJECT

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Altieri, and was unanimously supported to approve Work Release No. 022 to Professional Services Agreement 2009-PSA-003 with Condor Earth Technologies, Inc. to provide construction management and quality assurance services for the OID South Main Canal Segment Four Long Term Repairs Project.

ITEM NO. 14
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE MID-YEAR BUDGET REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 2019

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and was unanimously supported to approve the Mid-Year Budget Report and Financial Statements for the six months ending June 30, 2019.

ITEM NO. 15
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO SCHEDULE THE AUGUST 20, 2019 MEETING FOR 6:00 P.M. AND COORDINATE THIS MEETING WITH A WORKSHOP FOR OUT-OF-DISTRICT WATER PROGRAM APPLICANTS

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and was unanimously supported to schedule the August 20, 2019 meeting for 6:00 p.m. and coordinate this meeting with a workshop for the Out-of-District Water Program applicants.

ITEM NO. 16
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO CANCEL THE BOARD MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 1, 2019 AND OCTOBER 15, 2019 AND SCHEDULE ONE BOARD MEETING FOR OCTOBER 8, 2019 AT 9:00 A.M.

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director DeBoer, and was unanimously supported to cancel the Board Meetings scheduled for October 1, 2019 and October 15, 2019 and schedule one Board Meeting for October 8, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

ITEM NO. 17
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO CANCEL THE BOARD MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 3, 2019 AND DECEMBER 17, 2019 AND SCHEDULE ONE BOARD MEETING FOR DECEMBER 10, 2019 AT 9:00 A.M.

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and was unanimously supported to cancel the Board Meetings scheduled for December 3, 2019 and December 17, 2019 and schedule one Board Meeting for December 10, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

ITEM NO. 18
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A NEW STAFF POSITION JOB DESCRIPTION AND WAGE SCALE FOR A SAFETY COORDINATOR POSITION (1 FTE) AND AMEND THE 2019 MANPOWER LIST

A motion as made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and was unanimously supported to approve a new staff position job description and wage scale for a Safety Coordinator position (1 FTE) and amend the 2019 Manpower List.

DISCUSSION
ITEM NO. 19

ITEM NO. 19
DISCUSSION ON THE REVISIONS TO THE RESERVE POLICY OF THE OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

General Manager Steve Knell and Chief Financial Officer Sharon Cisneros briefly discussed the revised Reserve Policy and advised the Board that the revised Reserve Policy would be

referred to the Finance Committee and then would be brought back to the Board at a later date.

COMMUNICATIONS
ITEM NO. 20

A. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

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

B. WATER COUNSEL REPORT

Water Counsel Tim O’Laughlin gave the Board an update on the status of water issues.

C. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

D. DIRECTORS COMMENTS

Director Altieri

Director Altieri stated that she knows that she is beating a dead horse again, but she said it was very interesting that this summer there have been so many people on the river without common sense. She stated that on August 3, 2019 there was an article in the newspaper that stated six people were rescued on Thursday in about a 90 minutes span on the river. She stated that the river is running fast and cold and she wished that we could get the information about the flows on the river to the people who do not live here.

Director Doornenbal

Director Doornenbal agreed with Director Altieri’s comments.

Director Santos

Director Santos also agreed with Director Altieri’s comments. Director Santos also stated that she hoped the District is working towards more storage in New Melones during these settlement discussions. She stated that at some point we have to stop being the ones who are giving up something and fight for what is ours.

Director DeBoer

Director DeBoer had no comments.

Director Orvis

Director Orvis thanked everyone for the discussion today. He stated that he is attending the CSDA Conference and if anyone else is interested to notify Steve or Lori. Director Orvis also reminded the Board that the ACWA / JPIA Conference is in December. Director Orvis told the Board that the Modesto Nuts game on Thursday is the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau’s Family Night and invited everyone to attend. He also reminded everyone that the Bourbon

Dinner for the California State Farm Bureau is on Friday night. He stated that the Leadership Farm Bureau Class of 2019 will be touring the District's facilities next Friday. They have an interest in what we have accomplished and some of the technologies that we have developed.

A member of the public, Robert Frobose, commented on Closed Session Items 22.A. and B.

At the hour of 9:45 a.m. the Board adjourned to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION
ITEM NO. 21

- A. Government Code §54957**
Public Employee Performance Evaluation
Title: General Manager

- B. Government Code §54957**
Public Employee Performance Evaluation
Title: Water Counsel

- C. Government Code §54957**
Public Employee Performance Evaluation
Title: General Counsel

- D. Government Code §54956.9(d)(2) – Anticipated Litigation**
Significant Exposure to Litigation One (1) Case

At the hour of 12:52 p.m. the Board reconvened to open session. Director Orvis stated that there is no reportable action.

OTHER ACTION
ITEM NO. 23

At the hour of 12:53 p.m. the meeting was adjourned. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 6:00 p.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, August 15, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District, 11011 East Highway 120, Manteca, CA.

Thomas D. Orvis, President

Attest:

Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary