

## MINUTES

Oakdale, California  
October 6, 2015

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: Steve Webb, President  
Herman Doornenbal, Vice President  
Frank Clark  
Al Bairos, Jr.  
Gary Osmundson

Staff Present: Steve Knell, General Manager/Secretary  
Kathy Cook, Chief Financial Officer  
Jason Jones, Support Services Manager  
Eric Thorburn, Water Operations Manager

### **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 9:01 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

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

Ken Krause, who resides on Wamble Road in Oakdale stated that he had two questions; first there have been some questions as why Board Meetings are not held in the evening. Secondly, he heard that Mr. Osmundson will be moving out of the District that he represents. Director Webb stated that he was not aware of that fact.

Tom Orvis with the Stanislaus Farm Bureau was present and stated that the Regional Board will be moving the members of the Stanislaus County Water Coalition who reside north of the Stanislaus River and reside in San Joaquin County to the San Joaquin/Delta Water Coalition. Tom Orvis also stated that the Stanislaus County Agricultural Crop Report for 2014 was released and indicated a crop production value for 2014 of \$4.4 billion.

There being no further Public Comment; Public Comment closed at 9:04 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

Linda Santos, a member of the public, requested that Item Nos. 4 and 15 be pulled from the consent calendar.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

**ITEM NOS. 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17**

**ITEM NO. 2**

**APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS'  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2015 AND RESOLUTION NO. 2015-72**

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 15, 2015 and Resolution No. 2015-72.

**ITEM NO. 3**

**APPROVE OAKDALE IRRIGATION  
DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS**

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

**ITEM NO. 5**

**APPROVE REJECTION OF CLAIM  
FOR DAMAGES FILED BY MARY ANN POLOUS**

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to reject the claim for damages filed by Mary Ann Polous and forward the claim to ACWA/JPIA.

**ITEM NO. 6**

**APPROVE RESOLUTION EXTENDING MEMORANDUM  
OF UNDERSTANDING OF THE STANISLAUS AND  
TUOLUMNE RIVERS GROUNDWATER BASIN ASSOCIATION**

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Resolution Extending Memorandum of Understanding of the Stanislaus and Tuolumne Rivers Groundwater Basin Association.

**ITEM NO. 7**

**APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 002 TO PROFESSIONAL  
SERVICES AGREEMENT 2013-PSA-002 WITH CENTRAL VALLEY  
SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL CUSTOMIZATION SUPPORT**

Director Webb abstained from voting on this Consent Item.

A motion was made by Director Bairos and was seconded by Director Doornenbal to approve Work Release No. 002 to Professional Services Agreement 2013-PSA-002 with

Central Valley Software Solutions for Additional Customization Support, and was voted as follows:

Ayes: Directors: Doornenbal, Clark, Bairos, Osmundson  
Noes: None  
Abstained: Director Webb  
Absent: None

**ITEM NO. 8**  
**APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 002 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT 2009-PSA-004 WITH DAMRELL, NELSON, SCHRIMP, PALLIOS, PACHER & SILVA TO ADD ADDITIONAL STAFF**

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve Work Release No. 002 to the Professional Services Agreement 2009-PSA-004 with Damrell, Nelson, Schrimp, Pallios, Pacher & Silva to add additional staff.

**ITEM NO. 9**  
**APPROVE NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE MORRISON PIPELINE PROJECTS**

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Notice of Completion for the Morrison Pipeline Project.

**ITEM NO. 10**  
**APPROVE AGRICULTURAL DISCHARGE PERMIT ON THE COMETA LATERAL (APN: 002-052-001 – HYACINTH GROUP, L.P.)**

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Agricultural Discharge Permit on the Cometa Lateral (APN: 002-052-001 – Hyacinth Group, L.P.).

**ITEM NO. 11**  
**APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE COMETA LATERAL (APN: 002-052-001 – HYACINTH GROUP, L.P.)**

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Cometa Lateral (APN: 002-052-001 – Hyacinth Group, L.P.)

**ITEM NO. 12**  
**APPROVE AGRICULTURAL DISCHARGE PERMIT ON THE WEST**

**PIPELINE NO. 2 (APN: 010-022-003 – ANGELO J. COSTANZO  
AND DEBRA A. COSTANZO AS TRUSTEES OF THE ANGELO J.  
COSTANZO AND DEBRA A. COSTANZO REVOCABLE TRUST)**

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Agricultural Discharge Permit on the West Pipeline No. 2 (APN: 010-022-003 – Angelo J. Costanzo and Debra A. Costanzo as Trustees of the Angelo J. Costanzo and Debra A. Costanzo Revocable Trust).

**ITEM NO. 13  
APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE WEST  
PIPELINE NO. 2 (APN: 010-022-003 – ANGELO J. COSTANZO  
AND DEBRA A. COSTANZO AS TRUSTEES OF THE ANGELO J.  
COSTANZO AND DEBRA A. COSTANZO REVOCABLE TRUST)**

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the West Pipeline No. 2 (APN: 010-022-003 – Angelo J. Costanzo and Debra A. Costanzo as Trustees of the Angelo J. Costanzo and Debra A. Costanzo Revocable Trust).

**ITEM NO. 14  
APPROVE REQUEST TO WAIVE SERVICE ABANDONMENT  
FEE (APNS: 062-009-003/004 – BAKER/CASTILLO)**

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal and unanimously supported to approve the request to waive the service abandonment fee (APNS: 062-009-003/004 – Baker/Castillo).

**ITEM NO. 16  
APPROVE ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF THE  
HOBRON LATERAL (APN: 014-045-005 – G3 ENTERPRISES)**

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the abandonment of a portion of the Hobron Lateral (APN: 014-045-005 – G3 Enterprises).

**ITEM NO. 17  
APPROVE QUIT CLAIM OF A PORTION OF THE  
HOBRON LATERAL (APN: 014-045-005- G3 ENTERPRISES)**

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Quit Claim of a portion of the Hobron Lateral (APN: 014-045-005 – G3 Enterprises).

The above consent items, with the exception of Item No. 07 passed unanimously by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors, Webb, Doornenbal, Clark, Bairos, Osmundson

Noes: None  
Absent: None

**ACTION CALENDAR**  
**ITEM NOS. 4, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21**

**ITEM NO. 4**  
**APPROVE ASSIGNMENT OF**  
**CAPITOL WORK ORDER NUMBERS**

Linda Santos, a member of the public, had a questions regarding whether or not the "Oakdale Deep Well" was the same as "Oakdale Deep Well" that was on the last agenda for approval of Work Release No. 001 to General Services Agreement 2015-GSA-003 with Layne Christensen in the amount of \$76,000 and if so, why is the amount \$90,000. General Manager Steve Knell responded that the \$76,000 was the work to be done by the contractor and the additional \$14,000 accounts for the time that District employees provide for the project thereby making the total \$90,000.

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the following Assignment of Capitol Work Order Numbers:

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Work Order No.</u>
Riverbank Lateral	Remove and upgrade 16" x 6' Fresno 101C slide gate. (APN: 075-022-015)	\$2,300	2015-043
Lundgren Pipeline	Install 560' of 12" PVC, 120' of 8" PVC, 3-12" in-line valves, 1-18" in-line valve, and misc. appurtenances.	\$48,900	2015-044
Riverbank Lateral	Remove and upgrade 16" x 6' Fresno 101C slide gate. (APN: 075-022-026)	\$2,300	2015-045
Oakdale Deep Well	Install Swage Patch and Chemical Rehab to improve capacity and efficiency.	\$90,000	2015-046

The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors, Webb, Doornenbal, Clark, Bairos, Osmundson  
Noes: None  
Absent: None

**ITEM NO. 15**  
**APPROVE REQUEST FOR RECONNECTION OF SUBSTANDARD**

**PARCEL (APN: 063-025-011 – JOHN PETER BRICHETTO SEPARATE PROPERTY 2008 TRUST, JOHN M. BRICHETTO 2012 IRREVOCABLE TRUST AND JOSEPH P. BRICHETTO 2012 IRREVOCABLE TRUST)**

Linda Santos, a member of the public, had a question regarding what the District's standards are for providing water to a substandard parcel. Director Webb stated that these type of requests are decided on a case by case basis. Water Operations Manager, Eric Thorburn, stated that if the substandard parcel's reconnection is at "no-cost" to the District, in most cases, they are approved.

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the request for reconnection of substandard parcel (APN: 063-025-011 – John Peter Brichetto Separate Property 2008 Trust, John M. Brichetto 2012 Irrevocable Trust, and Joseph P. Brichetto 2012 Irrevocable Trust).

**ITEM NO. 18**  
**REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE RENEWAL OF KAISER PERMANENTE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2015**

As of January 1, 2016, the Affordable Care Act (ACA) re-defines "small employers" as businesses with 100 or fewer full-time-equivalent employees. California has enacted legislation to align state law with this federal rule, which means businesses with up to 100 full-time employees will not be considered small groups at their 2016 renewal.

This means that the District will be considered a small group at their May 1, 2016 renewal. With this change, the rates would become "age-rated," which means that each employee, their spouse, and dependents would be rated by age. Mark Price and Mark Antrim of TSM Insurance will be present to discuss the age-rated premiums versus December 1<sup>st</sup> renewal premiums. The District's average employee age is 43.8 years.

Options:

1. Approve an early renewal with Kaiser at a 3.6% increase in premiums to avoid being considered a small employer until November 30, 2016.
2. Do not approve the early renewal. The District will be considered a small employer on May 1, 2016. At that time, consider options and costs based on renewal quotes.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the renewal of Kaiser Permanente Health Insurance Coverage effective December 1, 2015 and schedule a Finance Committee Meeting to further discuss the early renewal with Kaiser Permanente Health Insurance.

The item passed unanimously by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors, Webb, Doornenbal, Clark, Bairos, Osmundson  
Noes: None  
Absent: None

**ITEM NO. 19**  
**REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE**  
**RENEWAL OF DELTA DENTAL PLAN INSURANCE COVERATE**

The District's pooled Delta Dental insurance coverage through ACWA JPIA will renew on January 1, 2016. The coverage period is January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. There is a 6.53% *decrease* in premiums for this coverage period. The plan premiums are below:

	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Employee + One</u>	<u>Family</u>
ACWA JPIA monthly rates - current	\$34.33	\$71.83	\$130.93
ACWA JPIA monthly rates – renewal 2016	\$33.72	\$69.10	\$122.90

Open enrollment will be conducted upon approval of this renewal.

A motion was made by Director Clark, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the renewal of Delta Dental Plan Insurance coverage.

The item passed unanimously by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors, Webb, Doornenbal, Clark, Bairos, Osmundson  
Noes: None  
Absent: None

**ITEM NO. 20**  
**REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE**  
**RENEWAL OF VISION SERVICE PLAN INSURANCE COVERAGE**

The District's pooled vision insurance coverage (Vision Service Plan) through ACWA JPIA will renew on January 1, 2016. The coverage period is January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. There have been no premium increases for two years. The plan premiums are:

	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Employee One</u>	<u>Family</u>
ACWA JPIA 2016 renewal monthly rates	\$21.32	\$21.32	\$21.32

Open enrollment will be conducted upon approval of this renewal.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the renewal of Vision Service Plan Insurance coverage.

The item passed unanimously by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors, Webb, Doornenbal, Clark, Bairos, Osmundson  
Noes: None  
Absent: None

**ITEM NO. 21**  
**REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE**  
**LETTER REGARDING WATER SETTLEMENT DISCUSSION ON THE**  
**STANISLAUS RIVER TO STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD**

This matter relates to the State Water Board's pending adoption of an unimpaired flow standard on the San Joaquin River and the eventual implementation of that standard. "Settlement," in the context being used here, means arriving at a negotiated settlement to the State's unimpaired flow standard and implementation measures. That settlement may be able to give the State what it wants but at the same time, lessens the impact and gravity of the legally binding conditions of a fully implemented State Water Board program.

The signing of this letter should come with tempered expectations. While a worthwhile endeavor, staff has been engaged in a similar endeavor for the last 2 years. The process being proposed by the participants in the attached letter is a policy driven effort. The staff process OID has been engaged with has been an equitable and science based driven process.

There seems to be a belief that the policy based approach by the elected participants and signatories to this letter will have more success than what has transpired to this date. That can only be determined by continuing with the policy group effort.

To that end, staff recommends signing the letter and seeing where this effort goes.

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the letter regarding water settlement discussion on the Stanislaus River to State Water Resources Control Board.

The item passed unanimously by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors, Webb, Doornenbal, Clark, Bairos, Osmundson  
Noes: None  
Absent: None

**DISCUSSION**



**ITEM NO. 22**  
**DISCUSSION ON RE-SENDING WATER AVAILABILITY LETTER**  
**OF JULY 3, 2013 TO TUOLUMNE BASIN WATER AGENCIES**  
**(MODESTO IRRIGATION DISTRICT, TURLOCK IRRIGATION**  
**DISTRICT, AND SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION)**

The ability to keep water local for local uses, to a large extent for OID and our region, depends foremost and principally on the cooperation of MID and then followed by the cooperation of TID and the CCSF for storage in New Don Pedro. OID has pursued such cooperation numerous times since 2007 but all efforts have in the past ended with no success, for a variety of reasons.

An inter-connection to the MID systems affords numerous advantages to our region for meeting local water demands and maximizes OID's efforts to keep water local. Opportunities that exist include meeting or providing water to;

- Stanislaus Regional Water Authority serving the City of Turlock, South Modesto, Ceres and other small communities.
- Eastside Irrigation District
- Del Puerto Irrigation District
- Modesto Irrigation District (MID)
- Turlock Irrigation District (TID)
- City and County of San Francisco

Such an inter-connection could offer opportunities for OID to store surplus water in New Don Pedro for use later. Such an interconnection could allow TID and MID to store spill water in New Melones Reservoir. Such a connection could increase regional storage and afford greater dry year protections for agriculture and our urban communities. Without such a connection though, those opportunities do not exist.

The last effort OID made with regard to moving water into the Tuolumne Basin for use by MID, TID and CCSF was in July 2013 (see attached letters). That effort was not successful.

At a recent meeting we have heard that MID has interest in now pursuing such a study. If that is the case I will prepare a letter for the President's signature, as last time, to re-initiate the process once again.

Members of the public, Linda Santos, and Robert Frobose, commented on this item.

After a lengthy discussion by the Board, the Board of Directors all agreed to wait until they have a better idea of what the water year will bring.

## A. **GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT**

### **Safety Activities**

1. OID has gone 244 days without a lost time injury accident.

### **Administration Activities**

1. On-Farm Conservation Program CEQA work continues with CH2M Hill.
2. Met with Grant Davids Engineering on the revisions to OID's Ag Water Management Plan.
3. On the 18<sup>th</sup> SSJID and OID met with the Bureau of Reclamation on end of year water issues. Affirmed that October water usage will not count against OID's and SSJID 2016 allotment. The decision to charge landowners or not for water that was used in October is a decision that should be deferred to March.
4. Attended Congressman Denham's social event at Jay Gilbert's house on the 21<sup>st</sup>.
5. Met at Franz Nursery on the 28<sup>th</sup> to educate Sacramento Bee reporter Dan Morain in the unimpaired flow impacts that could occur in our region if implemented.
6. League of Women Voters forum for OID candidates and incumbents was held on the 29<sup>th</sup>.
7. GM will be out of the office from October 7<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>.
8. OID Benefits Fair on October 23<sup>rd</sup>.
9. Harassment Training for supervisors and managers to be held on October 27<sup>th</sup>.

### **Legal Activities**

1. ID 52 Lawsuit: Plaintiffs brief is due on October 15 to the appellate court. Their attorney has asked the Court for a few extensions, which is common. His last request for extension was based on the fact that he was new to the case and had to review five years of documents. After OID Counsel gets their brief, they will submit a reply and the Court will likely calendar it for oral arguments. Then, the Court will issue its opinion. That can take a few months or a few days depending on the case.
2. The SJTA's recommendation is to continue in the curtailment case in order to seek a declaration that the State Water Board cannot curtail water rights in a general watershed manner without first providing due process to those stakeholders subject to curtailment. That effort is continuing. In addition,

In addition, we will remain a party in the consolidated/coordinated matter of the ongoing cases against the other irrigation districts to ensure the enforcement and jurisdiction issues do not affect SJTA interests.

3. There are no other legal issues pending in which OID is involved.

### **Construction Activities**

1. C&M crews and equipment operators are working on JSF's generated by Water Dept. staff.
2. Assisting Water Ops./Eng. Dept. with various tasks and field review of potential projects.
3. Conducting Safety Coordinator tasks pertaining to all hands training, Safety Committee meetings and review of weekly tailgate safety meetings.
4. Conducting Contract Administration tasks pertaining to contracts that need to be renewed and work releases that need to be completed with the assistance of Lori.

5. Attended CSDA conference in Monterey on 9/22.
6. Pest Dept. attended a spray safe seminar in Stockton for CE hours on 9/30.
7. Met with Oakdale Police Chief Jenkins at the OPD shooting range to discuss an issue they are having with a bank sluffing off. Provided an opinion of probable cost for OID to conduct the work and provide the borrow material.
8. C&M staff have been preparing for the upcoming construction season by outfitting the crew trucks with tools, completing preconstruction inspections, preparing for construction refresher training and preparing crew assignments.
9. Preparing and conducting employee evaluations.
10. Notice of Completion is before the Board today for approval for the paving project at Oak Grove Cemetery completed by Hensley's Paving and General Engineering, Inc.

## **Water Operations Activities**

### **Engineering**

1. Land use Conversion – Continued to work with landowners, tenants, irrigation design companies and Support Services/Water Operations concerning ongoing and future land use conversion projects.
2. Processed Encroachment and Ag Discharge Agreements and continued field inspection during installation of the associated facilities.
3. Preparation of the legal description and maps of lands to be annexed continued.
4. Continued to respond and comment on several requests for information and proposed parcel splits and lot line adjustments.
5. Met with Davids Engineering to review the draft water balance and discuss updates to the EWMPs. Additional data was assembled and submitted to Davids Engineering following the meeting and a draft schedule was completed to stay on track for completion, public review/comment and adoption by the end of the year.
6. Review of the documentation resubmitted by OID to support an informal consultation process as part of the NEPA review for the 2 Mile Bar Tunnel easement acquisition across the USACOE's property continued. An update and a timeline for completion is expected during the next conference call on October 7<sup>th</sup>.
7. Emily Sheldon presented at the Ag Appreciation Day at Fair Oaks Elementary School on September 25<sup>th</sup> to help expose their 6<sup>th</sup> graders to water operations in and around OID and the community.
8. Chase King continued in the Oakdale Leadership Program. The September meeting included a tour of Con Agra followed by a media relations presentation at the Chamber.
9. Engineering staff officially joined the Eastern SJ GW Basin Authority Workgroup to discuss options for complying with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act in the Eastern San Joaquin Sub-Basin (ESJB). All of OID's service area north of the Stanislaus River is located within the ESJB while everything south of the Stanislaus River is within the Modesto Sub-Basin. The group is anticipated to meet once a month moving forward to brainstorm GSA formation and GSP alternatives.

### **Ag Water**

1. SCADA personnel responded to and addressed misc. SCADA operation and control issues as they arose and prepared for the winter maintenance season.
2. SCADA/IT staff continued to work with Water Operations personnel to make updates, modifications and corrections to the new STORM volumetric tracking and billing application data.

3. Volumetric tracking and billing data wrapped up for the 2015 water season and final review and preparation for mailing was initiated for all DSO divisions.
4. The new IT/SCADA Technician, Sam Terpstra, started his first day on September 21<sup>st</sup>. He is a graduate of Cal Poly SLO with a BS in Ag Systems Management and comes to the OID after a few years of experience with Lodi Pump and Irrigation.
5. Continued to process several Farmer to Farmer Transfer Program Application Agreements. 91 agreements have been processed to date to allow a total of approximately 5000 acre-feet of surface water to be transferred in-district from parcel to parcel.
6. City of Oakdale staff continued to work on a draft out of boundary service agreement between the City and OID on behalf of ID 41 in accordance with LAFCO's req'ts. Upon receipt, the agreement will be reviewed by OID staff and legal counsel before being presented to the Board for approval.
7. The first rotation of the 2015-16 water season started on October 1st. Water is anticipated to be pulled from the system on or about October 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **Water Utilities**

1. Improvement District No. 41:
  - Pumping Station No. 3 remains out of service due to high turbidity issues.
  - The new VFD motor control panel was installed at Pumping Station No. 2 on Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. There was no interruption in water service to the system during the installation.
  - The water storage tank air charger at Pumping Station #2 has failed. The tank will have to be manually air charged until a new replacement unit can be installed.
2. Domestic Water Pumping Stations:
  - WUD continues to conduct weekly inspection, servicing and security checks of the pumping stations. There is nothing unusual or out of the ordinary to report.
3. Domestic Water Systems:
  - Improvement District No. 49 – Finished locating service connections and installing meter boxes. All service connections have now been located and marked.
4. Rural Water System No.1:
  - Hillsborough No. 2 Pumping Station – The installation of the new VFD motor control panel has been completed.
5. On-Call Activities:
  - Nothing to Report.
6. Aquatic Pesticide Application Plan:
  - a. Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, NPDES samples were collected on the Fairbanks Lateral.
7. Irrigation Pumping Stations:
  - WUD continues to perform routine inspection, servicing and security checks on the irrigation pumping stations. There is nothing unusual or out of the ordinary to report other than the items listed below:
    - Townhill Reclamation Pump – The line shaft bearings are failing. The pump will be pulled for repairs at the end of the water season.

### **Finance Activities**

1. The 2015 Employee Health Benefits Fair is schedule for Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. A Safety Luncheon will immediately follow the fair. All Directors, employees, and their families are invited to attend the fair and lunch.
2. Working with Damrell, Nelson, Schrimp, etc. Law Firm on the consolidation process required for the ID 45 and ID 49 merger.
3. Consolidating department 2016 budget submittals and preparing a draft budget for the Finance Committee review in mid-October.

**B. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Planning and Public Relations Committee, September 15, 2015**

- Project Heroes Sponsorship Request
- CSU Scholarship Contribution (Scholarships for Success One Purpose)
- Children's Play Park Donation Request

Director Clark stated that the Planning and Public Relations Committee sponsored the Project Heroes in the sum of \$200 and donated \$1,000 to the Children's Play Park.

**C. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS**

There were no Directors' comments/suggestions.

At the hour of 9:52 a.m. the meeting adjourned to Closed Session.

**CLOSED SESSION**  
**ITEM NO. 24**

**A. *Government Code §54957.6 - Conference with Labor Negotiator***

Agency Negotiator: General Manager

Represented Employee: Non-Exempt Confidential Bargaining Group, Exempt Supervisory Bargaining Group, Exempt Management Bargaining Group

At the hour of 10:48 a.m. the meeting returned to open session.

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

**OTHER ACTION**  
**ITEM NO. 25**

The Board Meeting adjourned at the hour of 10:48 a.m. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room at 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA.

The next Joint Board Meeting for the **Tri-Dam Project** is scheduled for **Thursday, October 15, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District, 11011 East Highway 120, Manteca, CA.

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Steve Webb, President

Attest:

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Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary