MINUTES

Oakdale, California April 5, 2016

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

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: Jim Oliveira, 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 9:01 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM NO. 1

Carol Davis was present on behalf of the Knights Ferry Cemetery and wanted to know when the District was planning on fixing the sink hole in the cemetery that developed following the pipeline relocation. Support Services Manager Jason Jones stated that he had a reminder on his calendar for May 1st to check to see if the ground had settled sufficiently to repair the sink hole.

Damon Woods was present and stated that in government contracting progress reports are required before progress payments can be authorized.

Robert Frobose requested that Consent Item No. 10 be pulled from the agenda. General Manager Steve Knell stated that it was going to be pulled from the agenda pursuant to counsel's request.

Kenneth Frias was present and stated that he was interested in finding out what the job duties of the Board and staff were and thought the best way to determine this was to obtain a copy of the job descriptions. He stated that the General Manager told him that he could obtain copies of the job descriptions and to make a request. He made his request and he was later contacted and told that he would have to pay for copies of this information. He feels that as a constituent of the District that he should not have to pay for copies.

There being no further Public Comment; Public Comment closed at 9:10 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

Director Altieri requested that Item No. 7 be pulled from the Consent Calendar; General Counsel James Oliveira requested that Item No. 10 be pulled from the Consent Calendar; and Director Santos requested that Item No. 12 be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

<u>CONSENT ITEMS</u> ITEM NOS. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 13

ITEM NO. 2 <u>APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES OF THE REGULAR</u> MEETING OF MARCH 15, 2016 AND RESOLUTION NOS. 2016-27 and 2016-28

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 15, 2016 and Resolution Nos. 2016-27 and 2016-28.

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

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

ITEM NO. 4 <u>APPROVE IMPROVEMENT</u> DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

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

ITEM NO. 5 <u>APPROVE TREASURER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL</u> <u>OFFICER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDING FEBRUARY 29, 2016</u>

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve the Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer's Report for the month ending February 29, 2016.

ITEM NO. 6 <u>APPROVE ASSIGNMENT OF</u> <u>CAPITAL WORK ORDER NUMBERS</u>

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve the Assignment of the following Capital Work Order Numbers:

<u>Facility</u>	Project Description	Estimated Cost	Work Order No.
Stoddard Pipeline	Remove and replace 2-Krone Enviromag 2000 flow meters and appurtenances. (APN: 010-016-006)	\$70,900	2016-027
South Main Canal	Installation on 1-30' aluminum tower with necessary appurtenances needed to establish communication. (APN: 011-001-039)	\$31,800	2016-028
Burnett Lateral	Remove and replace 1-5'x7' precast MBI turnout structure with 15" coupler, 1-15"x9' Fresno 101C slide gate, 1-16" Krone Enviroma 2-15" flanged couplers, and 20 LF 15" PIP PVC (APN: 002-051-010)	O .	2016-029

ITEM NO. 8 APPROVE REQUEST TO WAIVE APPLICATION FEE FOR ABANDONMENT OF IRRIGATION WATER SERVICE AND COST FOR THE REMOVAL OF VALVES (APN: 002-001-075/076 – SSJID)

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve the request to waive application fee for abandonment of irrigation water service and cost for removal of valves (APN: 002-001-075/076 – SSJID).

ITEM NO. 9 <u>APPROVE REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT</u> <u>OF NEW CONNECTION FEE (APN: 002-010-066 – HOGAN)</u>

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve the request for reimbursement of new connection fee (APN: 002-010-066 – Hogan).

ITEM NO. 11 <u>APPROVE DONATION REQUEST</u> OF FRIENDS OF THE OAKDALE LIBRARY

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve the donation request of Friends of the Oakdale Library in the sum of \$1,500.00.

ITEM NO. 13 APPROVE ABANDONMENT AND QUITCLAIM OF A PORTION OF THE STODDARD LATERAL (APN: 010-016-006 – QUINN)

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve the abandonment and quitclaim of a portion of the Stoddard Lateral (APN: 010-016-006 – Quinn).

The above consent items passed 5-0 by the following votes:

Ayes: Directors Webb, Doornenbal, Osmundson, Altieri, Santos

Noes: None Absent: None

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ITEM NO. 7 <u>APPROVE CESSATION OF</u> WATER PAYMENTS IN KNIGHTS FERRY

Director Altieri asked how Knights Ferry will get their water if the Tulloch and Frymire ditches have been abandoned. Director Doornenbal stated that the ditches were abandoned to the Knights Ferry water users. General Manager Steve Knell stated that the Morrison Pipeline has been installed and OID water is using that pipeline.

Director Santos wanted to clarify the fact that Knights Ferry would not be harmed by no longer having to pay the water charge. The General Manager Steve Knell stated that the memo from the District's Water Counsel confirms that fact.

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to open this item up for public comment.

An unknown member of the public commented on this item.

A motion was made by Director Osmundson, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to close public comment.

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve the cessation of water payments in Knights Ferry.

The motion passed 5-0 by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors, Webb, Doornenbal, Osmundson, Santos, Altieri

Noes: None Absent: None

ITEM NO. 10 <u>APPROVE REQUEST TO AMEND THE MINUTES OF THE</u> REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF OCTOBER 6, 2015

Attorney James Oliveira stated that the last sentence in paragraph 1 of the Agenda Report should be deleted from the report because in his opinion Director Webb does not have a conflict with the law firm. Attorney Oliveira stated that there would be conflict of interest if Director Webb had a financial interest in the contract. He further stated that Director Webb is not a shareholder or an employee of the firm and does not have any interest in the law firm.

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Osmundson, and unanimously supported to open this item up for public comment.

Robert Frobose and an unknown member of the public commented on this item.

A motion was made by Director Osmundson, seconded by Director Santos, and unanimously supported to close public comment.

Attorney James Oliveira stated he feels that the minutes should not be amended and the minutes stand as recorded.

ITEM NO. 12 <u>APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 004 AND WORK RELEASE NO. 002</u> <u>TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT 2014-PSA-001 WITH MARCIA</u> <u>HERMANN DESIGN TO PRODUCE A SPRING 2016 OID PIPELINE NEWSLETTER</u>

Director Santos stated that she feels that staff can prepare an on-line newsletter and make it available to the public on the web site and mail copies to those that request copies. Director Santos stated that she does not feel it is necessary to hire a PR firm to put the newsletter together when staff will provide this information to Marcia Herrmann Design. General Manager stated that Dave Lyghtle is very knowledgeable about the District and will be able to put the newsletter into a format that the general public will understand.

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Santos, and unanimously supported to open this item up for public comment.

Members of the public Robert Frobose and Travis Dovala commented on this item.

A motion was made by Director Osmundson, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to close public comment.

A motion was made by Director Osmundson and seconded by Director Doornenbal to approve Amendment No. 004 and Work Release No. 002 to Professional Services Agreement 2014-PSA-001 with Marcia Herrmann Design and that the District go out for bid on any future newsletters, and was voted as follows:

Ayes: Directors Webb, Doornenbal, Osmundson

Noes: Directors Santos, Altieri

Absent: None

The motion passed by a vote of 3-2.

ACTION CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 14, 15, 16, 17

ITEM NO. 14

REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF WATER RELEASE BY AND AMONG THE OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT, THE SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT, THE SAN LUIS & DELTA MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY AND THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES AND AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE

DWR's April 1 snow data was not available at the time of this agenda report. However, their March 1 90% exceedance level for UIF runoff Apr-July is 500,000 AF. Inflows to New Melones as of March 28 total 438,000 AF. Under OID's 88 Agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation, in fulfillment of its senior water rights, OID will get a full allocation this year of 600,000 AF.

As a result of a full allocation;

- OID will be able to meet all existing customer (Tiered I) water needs without setting a gate allocation.
- OID will be able to meet all Tiered II customer needs.
- OID will be able to legally meet a good percentage of the water needs of its local ag customers who have out-of-district service contracts.
- A note of importance: OID's Conservation Account is full and there will be no ability to store water for next year if the water is not used this year.

Since the end of last year, OID has been adamant that a continuation of water releases and pulse flows in cooperation with federal and state fishery agencies (NMFS, CFW) will be the norm in the coming years to assist in meeting environmental needs of our rivers and to assist in the slow recovery of refilling New Melones. As advised numerous times over the course of the last few months, this year is no exception.

As advised at the March Tri Dam Meeting the Boards were told to expect a draft contract for the release and sale of water to accomplish the goals stated above. Herein find that contract for approval. Substantial changes in this draft contract, should they occur, would be brought back to the Board.

SSJID approved this contract at their March 22nd meeting on a 5-0 vote.

Meeting all in-district and local water needs and providing water under this release and sale, OID will still be able to maintain a 15,000 – 20,000 acre foot buffer of uncommitted water over the course of the irrigation season. A sufficient margin of safety.

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Osmundson, and unanimously supported to open this item up for public comment.

Member of the public Robert Frobose, Robert Longstreth and Jake Verburg commented on this item.

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to close public comment.

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Osmundson, and unanimously supported to approve the Agreement to Purchase Release Water by and Among the Oakdale Irrigation District, the South San Joaquin Irrigation District, the San Luis & Delta Mendota Water Authority, and the California Department of Water Resources and authorized the General Manager to execute the Agreement.

The motion passed 5-0 by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors Webb, Doornenbal, Osmundson, Altieri, Santos

Noes: None Absent: None

ITEM NO. 15

REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 03 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT 2009-PSA-002 WITH CH2M TO INCREASE THE RATES AND AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE

Professional Services Agreements (PSA's) are the mechanism in which an agency transfers risk from itself to contractors, consultants and vendors providing the District services. The District has a Professional Services Agreement with CH2M.

At the February 23rd Board meeting staff had on the agenda an approval request to the rates charged by CH2M for 2016. See Amendment No. 03. Staff has reviewed the rates for the five Engineering companies that are and have been used by the District. Staff has compiled a summary of the average rate increases over time, a summary of the total work performed by the consultants over time for the Board's review.

So far in 2016 the BOD has approved rate increases for Davids Engineering and Condor Earth Technologies. Average rate increases for those consultants were 2.48% and 3.22% respectively. CH2M's average rate increase since 2009, inclusive of the requested 2016 increase in rates is 1.79%.

Based on Staff's evaluation, and CH2M having the lowest average rate increase of all engineering consultants, Staff recommends the Board approve Amendment No. 03 to

2009-PSA-002 to revise the rates for 2016 with CH2M effective January 1, 2016, consistent with the other consultant approvals.

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Osmundson to open this item up for public comment.

There was no public comment.

A motion as made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to close public comment.

A motion was made by Director Osmundson, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve Amendment No. 03 to Professional Services Agreement 2009-PSA-002 with CH2M to increase the rates and authorize the General Manager to execute.

The motion passed 5-0 by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors Webb, Doornenbal, Osmundson, Altieri, Santos

Noes: None Absent: None

ITEM NO. 16

REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE
AMENDMENT NO. 001 TO WORK RELEASE NO. 006 TO PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES AGREEMENT 2011-PSA-008 WITH DAVIDS ENGINEERING, INC.
FOR QUANTIFICATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF ETAW FOR CROPS WITHIN
THE OID AS PART OF THE ON-FARM CONSERVATION FUNDING PROGRAM
AND AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE

Phase One of Work Release No. 006 included preparation of a monitoring and measurement program by Davids Engineering for submittal to the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to verify reductions in crop evapo-transpiration of applied water (ETAW) during the temporary idling of cropland for the 2016 Oakdale Irrigation District On-Farm Conservation Program. Work Release No. 006 was the first phase and was anticipated to be followed by additional phases that would include instrumentation, data collections and analysis during implementation of the monitoring and measurement program throughout the 2016 irrigation season and a recommendation for monitoring in future years.

The scope of work for Phase Two has been developed through consultation with OID, DWR, and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) and aims to verify the reduction in ETAW for fields that have been temporarily idled during 2016. The primary reason for the study is that certain crops, such as pasture and orchards, do not have established and accepted estimates of ETAW that can be used to quantify transferrable water made available through idling. This study will combine with ground based instrumentation with remote sensing using satellite imagery to estimate actual evapotranspiration (ETa) for fields participating in the idling program and for fields that are irrigated normally. In addition to

applying state of the art techniques to quantify ETAW reduction, simplified methodologies utilizing ground based instrumentation and remote sensing will be applied and evaluated.

A primary goal is to evaluate whether these technologies could provide adequate estimates of ETAW reduction for similar programs in the future. Such programs could be the expansion of water services to out-of-district lands currently limited to a season of use when only pre-1914 water is available. Water made available through demonstrated reductions in consumptive use, measured by utilization of this technology, could assist in expanding that water use.

The scope of work noted above and outlined in Exhibit "A' will be divided into six tasks on a Not to Exceed, Time and Materials basis. The six tasks are;

Task No. 1 – Quantification of actual ET using ground based instrumentation.

Task No. 2 – Quantification of actual ET using remote sensing.

Task No. 3 – Comparison of ground based and remote sensing ET estimates and evaluation of ETAW reduction.

Task No. 4 – Coordination with State and Federal Agencies.

Task No. 5 – Preparation of Draft and Final Project Report.

Task No. 6 – Project Management and Administration.

Staff recommends that the Board authorize the General Manager to execute Amendment No. 001 to Work Release No. 006 for Professional Services Agreement 2011-PSA-008 for quantification and establishment of ETAW for crops within the OID as part of the On-Farm Conservation Funding Program.

A motion by Director Osmundson, seconded by Director Santos, and unanimously supported to open this up to the public for comment.

Members of the public, Robert Longstreth, Tom Orvis on behalf of the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau, and an unknown member of the public commented on this item.

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Osmundson, and unanimously supported to close public comment.

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Osmundson, and unanimously supported to approve Amendment No. 001 to Work Release No. 006 to Professional Services Agreement 2011-PSA-008 with Davids Engineering, Inc. for Quantification and Establishment of ETAW for Crops within the OID as Part of the On-Farm Conservation Funding Program and authorize the General Manager to execute.

The motion passed 5-0 by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors Webb, Doornenbal, Osmundson, Altieri, Santos

Noes: None Absent: None

ITEM NO. 17 REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO CANCEL AND/OR RE-SCHEDULE THE MAY 3, 2016 OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

The Board President and the General Manager have to attend the ACWA Conference in Monterey from May 2 to May 5, 2016. The President has to be present for the JPIA Board of Directors' Meeting on May 2, 2016 and the General Manager has to be present for the Water Management Committee meeting on May 3, 2016.

This is brought to the Board to determine how to handle the Board Meetings in May. Staff suggests that the Board cancel the May 3, 2016 Board Meeting and continue to hold the Board Meeting scheduled for May 17, 2016.

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to open this item up for public comment.

There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Osmundson, and unanimously supported to close public comment.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Santos, and unanimously supported to cancel the May 3, 2016 Board Meeting and to hold only one meeting on May 17, 2016.

The motion passed 5-0 by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors Webb, Doornenbal, Osmundson, Altieri, Santos

Noes: None Absent: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS ITEM NOS. 18

ITEM NO. 18 <u>DISCUSSION OF THE 2016 TEMPORARY WATER TRANSFER</u> <u>AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN OAKDALE IRRIGATION, SOUTH</u> SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT, AND STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT

At the last Tri Dam Meeting the Boards were advised that SEWD was interested in the purchase of water for 2016. Those discussions are continuing and look to entail at this point a request for 10,000 AF between the two districts for M&I water.

COMMUNICATIONS ITEM NO. 19

A. **GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT**

Safety Activities

- 1. OID has gone 423 days without a lost time injury accident.
- 2. Robin Flynt, ACWA-JPIA presented OID with a Rate Stabilization Fund check for OID's reduced property losses in 2015. Much of this is due to both Eric Thorburn and Jason Jones oversight and management that garnered those reductions in losses.

Administration Activities

- 1. The Oakdale Chamber of Commerce Ag Scholarship luncheon, of which OID is a sponsor, was a well-attended success.
- 2. Numerous meetings with DWR, CFW have occurred with staff regarding the On Farm Program.
- 3. GM attended and supported the FFA Cake Auction on March 22nd. All proceeds were merrily consumed by staff the next day.
- 4. OE3 meet and confer on health insurance scheduled for April 7th.
- 5. Stanislaus County Farm Bureau's Annual Membership meeting is April 14th. See Lori for reservations.

Legal Activities

- ID 52: ID52 Plaintiffs sued OID over ownership issue of facilities used to serve their parcels. Plaintiffs lost in Superior Court. OID has filed suit to recoup its attorney's fees. Briefs by both parties have been filed with Court of Appeals. Waiting for hearing date to be set by the court.
- Curtailment Case involving the SJTA and State Water Board: OID and SSJID water rights curtailed in 2015. SJTA, of which both district are members, file for writ of mandate on the action. Trial date has not yet been set.
- 3. SJTA has filed as an interested party in the BBID/WSID Curtailment Case. Testimony and preliminary motions have been submitted.
- 4. OID is one of a number of agencies filing a test claims case against the State of California's issuance of unfunded mandates, i.e. SBx7-7. The matter was heard on February 5th. The judge's ruling came in last week against the agencies. The group is evaluating next steps. CSDA is one of the agencies supporting the groups' action.

Construction Activities

- 1. C&M crews and equipment operators completed the construction season projects. Staff is now working on maintenance activities and JSF's completed 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. Conducting misc. landowner meetings in regards to capital projects and maintenance issues.

- 6. Out of District Turnouts C&M staff completed the construction of seven OOD turnouts prior to the start of the irrigation season. Staff finished the installation of the Rubicon pedestals and have passed the projects over to SCADA for commissioning.
- 7. Attended the Special Districts Risk Management Association conference on 3/29. The conference primarily focused on risk management/transfer, workers compensation, liabilities and return to work issues.
- 8. Pest Dept. staff attended the Target Specialty Products annual safety training on 3/22. This is a yearly training conducted by Target as part of their safety program.
- 9. Attended the School Farm subcommittee meeting on 3/23, the focus of the meeting was to start firming up in-kind donations to move forward with the planting of the almond orchard on the lower 13 acres.

Water Operations Activities

Engineering

- 1. Continued to process Encroachment and Ag Discharge Agreements and continued field inspection during installation of the associated facilities.
- 2. Staff continued to prepare and process several 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. The ACOE draft easement documents for the proposed tunnel as well as the 2 Mile Bar access road continue to be reviewed by ACOE staff.
- **4.** Meetings and field review continued with those who have submitted interest forms for the On-Farm Water Conservation Program (OFWCP). Project estimates and fund allocation distribution along with project site maps delineating the area proposed to be idled during their participation in the program continue to be finalized based on these meetings.
- **5.** After two separate meetings with the DWR, the DFWS, the USBR, Davids Engineering and OID, final agreements for the 2016 OFWCP are starting to be distributed for execution by the applicants.
- **6.** An updated draft of the monitoring and measurement program for determining ETAW in OID's service area was submitted to DWR for review and approval.
- **7.** OID worked with DWR, the property owner and Verizon Wireless to relocate the Oakdale CIMIS station on March 28th to a different location on the existing property that will remain as irrigated pasture.
- **8.** OID's comments on the City of Oakdale's draft out of boundary service agreement with OID on behalf of ID 41 is under review by City of Oakdale staff. Staff will now work with the City to get final costs together to proceed with preparation of the 218 process that will be required as part of the proposed new rate structure.
- **9.** Davids Engineering completed and submitted OID's grant application on March 30th for the proposed phase 1 expansion of the TCC system. There were a total of 45 applications from other agencies that had been received thus far.

Ag Water

- 1. Modifications to the STORM volumetric tracking and billing software user interface were finalized for the DSOs return to water on March 28th.
- 2. SCADA integration and commissioning of new SCADA sites continued.

- 3. The pre-employment process was completed for the two successful candidates selected to fill the vacant DSO positions. Uriel Prado started his first day of training on March 28th and Josh Soares is scheduled to start on April 12th. Both DSOs are anticipated to initially train during the day before ultimately moving to night shift duties.
- 4. Storm water and winter water operations concluded and surface water was brought back into the system on Sunday, March 27th. The first official day of water season was on March 28th. The first rotation is a 16-day rotation which started on or about March 29th. The second rotation is anticipated to be a 14-day rotation starting on or about April 14th.

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:
 - WUD continues to conduct weekly inspection, servicing, and security checks of the pumping stations. There was nothing unusual or out of the ordinary to report.
- 3. Domestic Water Systems:
 - All water systems are operating without restrictions.
 - Continued bi-annual fire hydrant inspections and flushing.
 - Continued bi-annual street valve inspections and exercising.
 - Exercised all air vents in every water system and replaced the air filters at each site.
- 4. Knights Ferry Pumping Station:
 - a. The KF river pumps have been deactivated for the summer as surface water is now being provided to the KFWTP from the Frymire Lateral.
- 5. Irrigation Pumping Stations:
 - All Agricultural deep well and reclamation pumps have been activated for operation throughout the irrigation season.
 - Weekly routine inspection, servicing and security checks were initiated at all ag pump sites. There was nothing unusual or out of the ordinary to report.

Finance Activities

- 1. Richardson and Company begin the 2015 audit on March 28, 2016.
- 2. Prepared and filed the State Comptroller's Compensation Report.

B. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Planning & Public Relations Committee Meeting, March 30, 2016

- Stanislaus Business Alliance Five Year Pledge Request
- Donation Request of Friends of the Oakdale Library
- Riverbank's River Fest

Director Webb stated that Planning & Public Relations Committee met and denied the Stanislaus Business Alliance's request because the Committee felt that there was no benefit to the District; the Committee recommended a donation of \$1,500 to Friends of the Library and this was previously approved on the agenda, and the Committee approved a donation of \$500 to Riverbank's River Fest.

C. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

Director Altieri

Director Altieri had no comments.

Director Santos

Director Santos had no comments.

Director Osmundson

Director Osmundson had no comments.

Director Doornenbal

Director Doornenbal stated that the irrigation season has started and again the DSOs are doing a great job.

Director Webb

Director Webb stated the first rotation of a season is always a little rough and everyone needs to have a little patience.

At the hour of 11:09 a.m. the meeting adjourned to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION ITEM NO. 20

A. Government Code §54956.9 – Significant Exposure

Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Section 45956.9 Two (2) Cases

B. Government Code §54956.9 – Initiation of Litigation

Pursuant to Paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Section 45956.9 One (1) Case

At the hour of 12:20 p.m. the meeting returned to open session.

Coming out of Closed Session Director Webb stated that the Board voted to move forward in opposing the lawsuit and to refer the lawsuit to O'Laughlin & Paris, LLP and to try and have ACWA offset the costs involved in the lawsuit, by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Directors Webb, Doornenbal, Osmundson

Noes: Directors Santos, Alteiri

OTHER ACTION ITEM NO. 21

At the hour of 12:20 p.m. the meeting was adjourned. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room at 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA.

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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 **April 21, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District, 11011 East Highway 120, Manteca, CA.

	Steve Webb, President
Attest:	
Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary	