

MINUTES

Oakdale, California
May 19, 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. (arrived at 9:01 a.m.)

Absent: Gary Osmundson

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

ADDITION OR DELETION OF AGENDA ITEMS

There were no additions or deletions to 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 at 8806 Wamble Road, Oakdale, was present and asked what does Tier II mean because the water to his properties has been cut back and Tier II water users are receiving water.

Linda Santos, who resides at 15200 Tim Bell, Oakdale, was present and commented on the amount of groundwater pumped and the draining of Tulloch Lake. She further stated that the 2015 budget indicated a water sales projection of \$4 million in income and wanted to know where the projected income is coming from if the District is not selling water?

Carol Davis, who resides at 17707 Highway 120, Oakdale, was present and stated she attended the Board Meeting on May 5, 2015 and was told that she would be receiving a letter. She stated that she still has not received that letter. General Manager Steve Knell

stated that her request concerned a legal question and it was forwarded to legal counsel for review and a letter should be going out by the end of the week.

Robert Frobose, who resides at 4333 Claus Road, Modesto, was present and discussed his petition and Tier II water users.

Tom Orvis representing the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau stated that those that irrigate and are a member of the San Joaquin Water Quality Coalition are required to attend one of three meetings a year. He stated that the second chance to attend a meeting is tomorrow at MJC Ag Pavilion.

There being no further Public Comment; Public Comment closed at 9:18 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

PUBLIC HEARING
ITEM NOS. 2, 3

ITEM NO. 2
PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing to Accept Comments on Proposed Annexations of A. L. Gilbert, Wendell Naraghi, John Brichetto, et al., Randy Paddock, and William Hoekstra, et al. (APNS: 010-072-002, 207-090-002, 002-020-007, 002-053-021, 010-015-061)

ITEM NO. 3
PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing to Accept Comments on Proposed Fringe Parcel Annexations of Joseph Traina, Carla Verburg, John Brichetto, et al., William Hoekstra, et al., Pieternella Dorrepaal (APNS: 002-049-013, 002-052-010/011/015/021, 006-091-004/006, 010-015-071, 002-050-003)

The following comments were made by members of the Public:

Ken Krause: What's the definition of Tier II?

Bob Frobose: I appreciate your clarifying Director Clark on the "would" or "could," but I notice that it said again will not harm. I mean; what does that mean to you guys? I mean if we wind up with less water because of an annexation in a dry year. One thing I make real clear, I am not opposed to annexation and keeping the water in this area, but it's when you take water from the original irrigators and give it to annexed land – that is where I have the problem. When we have the extra water when it says not cause us any harm, like I was pointing out earlier that it says that in all of these different documents that you guys have filed with CEQA, LAFCO, with us so forth and so on. What does not causes us harm mean to you guys?

Brian Lemons: Eric did I understand you correctly when you said that OID water was going to irrigate land outside of the District right now? Oh I think we differ as to whether or not

you should have shut them off on the water that is going out of the District. I would disagree with you there, but have we been collecting income from the water that they did use, we are in a budget shortage. I think those are some issues that really need to be addressed. My second question is that I notice you have a \$2,600 per acre fee for the annexation. What is that fee intended to cover; will that cover all of the construction costs or is that just a fee to buy into the District or how does that work, what's that for? Okay and so that's for the infrastructure that's in place right now Steve? What about for their new infrastructure that they need to get water – they will have to bear that cost? The other thing I would ask is that you make a copy of the presentation available to us on the web site. I mean its good information, but it's a lot to absorb.

There being no further public comment the public hearing closed at 9:28 a.m.

Director Clark requested that Items 13 and 14 be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

CONSENT ITEMS
ITEM NOS. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

ITEM NO. 4
APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 5, 2015 AND RESOLUTION NOS. 2015-37 and 2015-38

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 5, 2015 and Resolution Nos. 2015-37 and 2015-38.

ITEM NO. 5
APPROVE OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

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

ITEM NO. 6
APPROVE THE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

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

ITEM NO. 7
APPROVE THE TREASURER AND
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT
FOR THE MONTH ENDING APRIL 30, 2015

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer's Report for the month ending April 30, 2015.

ITEM NO. 8
APPROVE DENIAL OF CUSTOMER'S REQUEST FOR
CANCELLATION OF DELINQUENT FEE (APN: 010-046-016 – SALVATORE)

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to deny the customer's request for cancellation of delinquent fee (APN: 010-046-016 – Salvatore).

ITEM NO. 9
APPROVE ASSIGNMENT
OF CAPITAL WORK ORDER NUMBERS

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve Assignment of Capital Work Order Numbers, as follows:

| <u>Facility</u> | <u>Project Description</u> | <u>Estimated Cost</u> | <u>Work Order No.</u> |
|-----------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Sweet Lateral | Remove and upgrade existing gate with a new 24" x 6' Fresno 101C slide gate. | \$3,400 | 2015-024 |
| Sweet Pipeline | Remove and upgrade existing gate with a new 24" x 7' Fresno 101C slide gate. | \$3,400 | 2015-025 |
| Burnett Lateral | Install 500' of 36" RGRCP pipe, one new inlet and outlet structure, type 1 turnout structure, air vent assembly, and a 15" x 9' Fresno 101C slide gate. | \$202,700 | 2015-026 |

ITEM NO. 10
APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 04 TO GENERAL
SERVICES AGREEMENT 2013-GSA-029 WITH PACIFIC
STABILIZERS, INC., DBA KDK OILS TO INCREASE THE RATES

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve Amendment No. 04 to General Services Agreement 2013-GSA-029 with Pacific Stabilizers, Inc., dba KDK Oils to increase the rates.

ITEM NO. 11
APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON ORANGE
BLOSSOM DRAIN (APN: 002-063-004 – ALLDRIN SONORA, LLC)

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Orange Blossom Drain (APN: 002-063-004 – Alldrin Sonora, LLC).

ITEM NO. 12
APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE WILLS
PIPELINE EXTENSION (APN: 002-063-051 – ALLDRIN SONORA LLC)

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve Encroachment Permit on the Willis Pipeline Extension (APN: 002-063-051 – Alldrin Sonora, LLC).

ACTION CALENDAR
ITEM NO. 13, 14, 15

ITEM NO. 13
APPROVE ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION
OF THE LONE TREE DRAIN (APNS: 207-032-013/014/015/016)

Director Clark asked if all of the homeowners on the portion of the Lone Tree Drain being abandoned had been notified. Water Operations Manager Eric Thorburn responded that they all received a letter and were provided an opportunity to respond to the abandonment. He further stated that the homeowners had requested the abandonment.

A motion was made by Director Clark, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve abandonment of a portion of the Lone Tree Drain (APNS: 207-032-013/014/015/016).

ITEM NO. 14
APPROVE QUITCLAIM OF A PORTION
OF LONE TREE DRAIN (APNS: 207-032-013/014/015/016)

A motion as made by Director Clark, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve quitclaim of a portion of the Lone Tree Drain (APNS: 207-032-013/014/015/016).

ITEM NO. 15
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT
A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PASSAGE OF
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1201; PREDATION OF NONNATIVE SPECIES

OID and SSJID have been leading advocates in the establishment and implementation of predator suppression programs that diminish non-native species of fish that predate upon

native fish populations inclusive of delta smelt, out migrating salmon fry and smolts and young steelhead trout (Omykiss).

To support that effort staff supports sending the following resolution in support of AB 1201 (Salas).

A motion was made by Director Clark, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to adopt a Resolution Supporting Passage of Assembly Bill No. 1201; Predation of Nonnative Species.

DISCUSSION
ITEM NO. 16

ITEM NO. 16
DISCUSSION ON BUSINESS ITEMS AS THEY APPEAR
ON THE TRI-DAM AGENDA FOR THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2015

This item is here for general discussion on items that appear on the Tri-Dam Agenda when it is made available.

General Manager Steve Knell stated the Tri-Dam Board Meeting is going to be rescheduled in July. The meeting will be moved from Thursday, July 16, 2015 to Wednesday, July 22, 2015 and will be held in Strawberry.

COMMUNICATIONS
ITEM NO. 17

A. **GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT**

Safety Activities

1. OID has gone 104 days without a lost time injury accident.

Administration Activities

1. Attended ACWA Conference for benefit of agency discussions on drought and management issues.
2. Met with MHD on SavetheStan Campaign.
3. Met with Al Rossini on Eastside Water District issues and needs.
4. Water Committee meeting on Tiered 2 water use.
5. SWRCB Drought Workshop scheduled for May 20th in Sacramento.
6. Speaking at Rotary Club on May 20th.
7. Attending United States Committee on Irrigation and Drainage Conference in Reno to present a professional paper on June 4th.

Construction Activities

1. C&M crews and equipment operators are working on JSF's generated by Water Dept. staff. Completing general tasks associated with the completion of the first rotation.
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 new employee safety training with the new recently hired employees for C&M and Water Ops. Training has included the online Defensive Driving module from Target Solutions.
6. C&M crews installed a turnout gate on the Arnett Pipeline (private) per the recommendation of the Water Committee on 4/28.
7. The OID Pest. Dept. conducted Magnacide applications on the following OID facilities; Cometa, Fairbanks, Hirschfeld, Burnett and Claribel Laterals over the course of the past two weeks.
8. Stanislaus County Dept. of Environmental Resources conducted a waste tire survey/inspection on May 6th. No issues to report.
9. CHP conducted the Biannual Inspection of Terminal (BIT) inspection on May 7th. No issues to report.
10. OID started the off haul of angular rock from the Roen rock pile located adjacent to the Stockton East Main Canal on May 11th; the rock is being stockpiled at the Kaufmann/Greger property.
11. Pest Dept. staff and I will be conducting a meeting with local Fire and Police Dept. personnel along with Public Works on May 20th, the topic of discussion will be the storage and handling of Magnacide H herbicide. The initial meeting is basically a meet and greet with potential desktop exercises in the future regarding potential releases of the material.

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 multiple Encroachment and Ag Discharge Agreements and continued field inspection during installation of the associated facilities.
3. Public comment period has been begun on the CEQA documents prepared for the Fringe and Additional Annexations. Correspondence was sent to each applicant to notify and update them with progress to date and timeline for completion.
4. Responded to and commented on several requests for information and proposed parcel splits and lot line adjustments.
5. Completed several RFWA and cost estimates for capital improvement projects.

Aq Water

1. Continued to research and respond to miscellaneous irrigation and maintenance issues and inquiries.
2. Responded to and addressed misc. SCADA operation and control issues as they arose.
3. 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.
4. DSO training continued with the four new hires and the pre-employment was pursued with another applicant to fill the final vacant DSO position.

5. The Farmer to Farmer Transfer Program Application Agreement was made available on April 23rd. Finance and Administration staff have helped to process the agreements, answer questions and post for available/wanted water in the front office before final approval and facilitation of the water transfer by the DSOs.
6. The fourth rotation (fifth of the 2014/15 water year) will be 13 days and started on or about May 15th. The fifth rotation will start on or about May 28th and is anticipated to be 13 days as well.

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 is nothing unusual or out of the ordinary to report.
3. Domestic Water Systems:
 - Monthly Coliform Bacteria water quality samples were collected on Tuesday, May 5th. No problems were detected. All water systems under OID's jurisdiction are operating without restrictions.
 - Quarterly Nitrate water quality samples were collected on Tuesday, May 5th.
4. Improvement District No. 46:
 - Contractor installed and/or replaced 3 distribution system backflow assemblies. This item was included as part of their 2015 O&M Budget.
5. On-Call Activities:
 - Saturday, May 2nd, staff responded to a report of a large water leak in Rural Water System #1 which turned out to be irrigation water from the Dixon Pipeline.
6. Aquatic Pesticide Application Plan:
 - a. Acrolein water samples were collected at the Claribel Lateral on Wednesday, May 13th.
7. Irrigation Pumping Stations:
 - WUD continues to perform routine inspection, servicing and security checks on all the irrigation pumping stations. There is nothing unusual or out of the ordinary to report other than the items listed below:
 - Sawyer Drain Pump has experienced flow meter failure. Meter was pulled for repairs. Site will remain operational during the repairs.
 - Crane Deep Well Pump automatic oiler had failed, the item was replaced and the site was returned to service.
 - Milnes and Weaver Reclamation Pump sites have been dismantled and will be abandoned in the future per the new landowner's request.
 - Wirth Reclamation Pump was down for repairs from Friday, April 24th to Friday, May 8th.

Financing Activities

1. Staff continues to prepare close-outs of multiple capital projects.
2. Continue to work on CAFR
3. Routine monthly accounting functions.

B. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Water Committee Meeting, Thursday, May 14, 2015

- Review of Board Determination of 2015 Water Allocation

Robert Frobose, a member of the Public, commented on the Water Committee Meeting that was held on May 14, 2015.

C. **DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS**

Director Doornenbal

Director Doornenbal had no comments.

Director Bairos

Director Bairos stated that the DSOs are doing a good job keeping all of the drain ditches dry. He complimented their efforts.

Director Clark

Director Clark had no comments.

Director Webb

Director Webb had no comments.

At the hour of 10:12 a.m. the Meeting adjourned to Closed Session

CLOSED SESSION
ITEM NO. 18

A. *Government Code §54956.8 Conference with Real Property Negotiator*

Negotiating Parties: OID, BOR, City and County of San Francisco, San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority, Stockton East Water District, State Water Contractors, Del Puerto Irrigation District

Property: Water

Agency Negotiators: General Manager and Water Counsel

Under Negotiations: Price and Terms

B. *Government Code §54956.9 - Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) and (3) of Subdivision (d) of §54956.9 One (1) Case*

At the hour of 11:30 a.m. the meeting returned to open session.

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

OTHER ACTION
ITEM NO. 19

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 11:30 a.m. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room at 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA.

The next Regular Joint Board Meeting for the **Tri-Dam Project** is scheduled for **Thursday, May 21, 2015 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