MINUTES

Oakdale, California September 1, 2020

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: Tom Orvis, President

Gail Altieri, Vice President

Herman Doornenbal

Linda Santos Brad DeBoer

Staff Present: Steve Knell, General Manager/Secretary

Sharon Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer

Also Present: Fred A. Silva, General Counsel

ADDITION OR DELETION OF AGENDA ITEMS

There were no additions or deletions of agenda items.

ACTION TO TAKE VARIOUS ITEMS OUT OF SEQUENCE

There were no items taken out of sequence.

At the hour of 9:03 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM NO. 1

Carl Hill who resides on Orange Blossom Road thanked the District for the service that has been given by Josh, Luke and currently, Mike and Brenden. He also thanked the District for repairing the pipeline a few years ago. He requested that the District make October water available this year to the landowners. He stated that there may be some supply issues, but that he would support a different cost structure so that they are able to receive October water.

Robert Frobose discussed the August General Manager's Newsletter regarding water sales and how he believes it would affect the District's water rights.

CONSENT ITEMSITEM NOS. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

ITEM NO. 2 <u>APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES</u> <u>OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 4, 2020</u>

A motion as made by Director Doornenbal and seconded by Director DeBoer, and was unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 4, 2020, by a roll call vote of 5-0.

ITEM NO. 3 <u>APPROVE OAKDALE IRRIGATION</u> DISTRICT'S STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director DeBoer, and was unanimously supported to approve the Oakdale Irrigation District's Statement of Obligations by a roll call vote of 5-0.

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

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director DeBoer, and was unanimously supported to approve the Improvement District's Statement of Obligations by a roll call vote of 5-0.

ITEM NO. 5 <u>APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL</u> <u>REPORTS FOR THE SEVEN MONTHS ENDING JULY 31, 2020</u>

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director DeBoer, and was unanimously supported to approve the Treasurer's Report for the seven months ending July 31, 2020 by a roll call vote of 5-0.

ITEM NO. 6

APPROVE ABANDONMENT AND QUITCLAIM OF A PORTION OF THE LANE PIPELINE AND CONSOLI PIPELINE AND FORMALLY ADOPT THE NEW ALIGNMENT OF OID'S LANE PIPELINE AND CONSOLI PIPELINE AS DISTRICT FACILITIES (APNS: 064-027-002/003/004/017 – GEORGE T. HANSEN AND E. MARIE HANSEN 1990 TRUST AND CESAR FLORES)

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director DeBoer, and was unanimously supported to approve the Abandonment and Quitclaim of a portion of the Lane Pipeline and Consoli Pipeline and formally adopt the new alignment of OID's Lane Pipeline and Consoli Pipeline as District facilities (APNS: 064-027-002/003/004/017 – George T Hansen and E. Marie Hansen 1990 Trust and Cesar Flores).

The above consent times passed by the following roll call vote:

Director Altieri	Yes
Director Santos	Yes
Director Doornenbal	Yes
Director Orvis	Yes
Director DeBoer	Yes

ACTION CALENDAR ITEMS NOS. 7, 8, 9

ITEM NO. 7 REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE SURFACE WATER AVAILABLE IN OCTOBER 2019

General Manager Steve Knell stated that there is a correction to paragraph 2 of the Agenda Report. It should state that, "Water provided to OID customers in October however will be accounted (billed) for as part of their '2020' usage . . . "

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Santos, and was unanimously supported to make surface water available in October 2020 by the following roll call vote:

Director Altieri	Yes
Director Santos	Yes
Director Doornenbal	Yes
Director Orvis	Yes
Director DeBoer	Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

ITEM NO. 18

REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION FINDING THE RIVERBANK-CRANE DIVERSION STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROJECT CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and was unanimously supported to Adopt the Resolution Finding the Riverbank-Crane Diversion Structure Replacement Project Categorically Exempt Under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), by the following roll call vote:

Director Altieri	Yes
Director Santos	Yes
Director Doornenbal	Yes
Director Orvis	Yes
Director DeBoer	Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

ITEM NO. 9 REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE FUND TRANSFERS TO DESIGNATED RESERVES

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and was unanimously supported to approve the fund transfers to designated reserves by the following roll call vote:

Director Altieri	Yes
Director Santos	Yes
Director Doornenbal	Yes
Director Orvis	Yes
Director DeBoer	Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

COMMUNICATIONS ITEM NO. 10

A. **GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT**

General Manager Steve Knell went over the information that was contained in the Board packet under Communications. The General Manager also discussed the groundwater issues and the status of the 5-Year Out-of-District Program.

B. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no committee reports.

C. SUMMARY OF DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

Director Altieri

Director Altieri had no comments.

Director Santos

Director Santos had no comments.

Director Doornenbal

Director Doornenbal had no comments.

<u>Director DeBoer</u>

Director DeBoer stated that this Board was very supportive in providing out-of-district water to the local farmers. He stated that he is not in favor of promoting a program that has a high chance of failing especially with the Stanford Vina decision. Director DeBoer stated that each farmer will have to determine whether he wants to invest money in his infrastructure to be able to use surface water. Director DeBoer stated that there is 7,000 acres that could be using water right now and he encouraged the farmers to use that water. He stated that it

does cost more than pumping, but if they are interested in conserving the aquifer, use the surface water. He stated that the District is being very fair and competitive in selling the District's water at the price that the District does as compared to other Districts. He stated that they should look at Merced Irrigation District and see what they are charging for the sale of water to out-of-district constituents in their District.

Director Orvis

Director Orvis thanked staff and everyone for getting through the current situation with the pandemic. He stated that we have continued to keep the business strong and steady and the constituents are taken care of and the staff is safe. Director Orvis also commented on the documentary that was prepared by Modesto Irrigation District and will be available on September 5, 2020. The documentary is about the water fight on the Tuolumne River with the unimpaired flows, the supplemental environmental draft for the Water Quality Control Plan and SGMA. Director Orvis encouraged everyone to listen and learn a little bit from the documentary.

At the hour of 10:03 a.m. the meeting adjourned to Closed Session

CLOSED SESSION ITEM NO. 23

A. Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) – Existing Litigation (3 Cases)

SJTA, et al. v. California State Water Resources Control Board Case No. JCCP 5013

Tri-Dam Project, OID and SSJID v. Linda Santos Case No. CV-20-002349

Tri-Dam Project, et al. v. MWH Americas, Inc., et al. Case No. CV61638

At the hour of 10:31 a.m. Directors Santos recused herself from the Tri-Dam Project, OID and SSJID v. Linda Santos and left the Board Room. At the hour of 10:41 a.m. Director Santos returned to the Board Room.

At the hour of 10:43 a.m. the meeting reconvened to open session.

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

OTHER ACTION ITEM NO. 12

At the hour of 10:44 a.m. the Board meeting was adjourned. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.** via teleconference. Details can be obtained by calling (209) 847-0341.

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

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Thursday, September 17, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. can be obtained by calling (209) 847-0341.	via teleconference and hosted by OID. Details
Attest:	Thomas D. Orvis, President
Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary	