

MINUTES

Oakdale, California
April 2, 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 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
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

General Manager Steve Knell stated that Closed Session Item No. B would be deleted from Closed Session.

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and was unanimously supported to delete Closed Session Item B from the Agenda.

ACTION TO TAKE VARIOUS ITEMS OUT OF SEQUENCE

Director DeBoer requested that Action Item No. 8 be moved to follow Public Comment.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM NO. 1

There being no Public Comment; Public Comment closed at 9:03 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

ACTION CALENDAR
ITEM NO. 8

ITEM NO. 8
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON DONATION/SPONSORSHIP
REQUESTS OF VARIOUS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS (OAKDALE
SOCCER CLUB, OAKDALE ENRICHMENT SOCIETY, STANISLAUS
COUNTY FARM BUREAU, AND OAKDALE RODEO)

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and was unanimously supported to approve the donation request of Oakdale Soccer Club in the amount of \$1,200.

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director DeBoer and was unanimously supported to approve the donation request of Oakdale Enrichment Society in the sum of \$1,000.

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, seconded by Director Altieri, and was unanimously supported to approve the sponsorship request of the Oakdale Rodeo in the sum of \$1,000 and approve the production of the sign by Signs by Randy for the rodeo arena in the sum of \$450.

Director Orvis recused himself from the voting on the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau, handed the gavel to Vice President Gail Altieri, and left the Board Room at 9:17 a.m..

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and was approved to be a Gold Sponsor in the sum of \$1,250, by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors, Altieri, Doornenbal, Santos, DeBoer
Noes: None
Abstentions: Director Orvis

At the hour of 9:19 a.m. Director Orvis returned to the Board Room and the gavel returned.

CONSENT ITEMS
ITEM NOS. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

ITEM NO. 2
APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL
MEETING OF MARCH 19, 2019 AND RESOLUTION NOS. 2019-07 AND 2019-08

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Santos, and was unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Special Meeting of March 19, 2019 and Resolution Nos. 2019-07 and 2019-08.

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

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

ITEM NO. 4
APPROVE OID IMPROVEMENT
DISTRICT'S STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

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

ITEM NO. 5
APPROVE THE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE REVISED IRRIGATION WATER
SERVICE AND RELATED FEES POLICY OF THE OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Santos, and was unanimously supported to approve the Resolution Adopting the Revised Irrigation Water Service and Related Fees Policy of the Oakdale Irrigation District.

ITEM NO. 6
APPROVE PURCHASE OF NEW ERGONOMIC WORKSTATION FOR
THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S OFFICE FROM WARDEN'S (BUDGETED)

A motion as made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Santos, and unanimously supported to approve the purchase of a new ergonomic workstation for the Chief Financial Officer's office from Warden's (budgeted).

ITEM NO. 7
APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 002 TO PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES AGREEMENT 2016-PSA-003 WITH FEDAK & BROWN
LLP FOR AUDITING SERVICES FOR THE PREPARATION AND
PUBLICATION OF THE 2018 COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

A motion was made by Director Altieri, seconded by Director Santos, and unanimously supported to approve Work Release No. 002 to Professional Services Agreement 2016-PSA-003 with Fedak & Brown, LLP for auditing services for the preparation and publication of the 2018 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

DISCUSSION

ITEM NO. 9

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DISCUSSION ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF SSJID'S CANYON TUNNEL

General Manager Steve Knell discussed the construction of SSJID's Canyon Tunnel with the Board of Directors.

COMMUNICATIONS

ITEM NO. 10

A. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

General Manager Steve Knell reported on the following matters:

1. The filing of the lawsuit by the U.S. Department of Justice against the State Water Board for failure to comply with CEQA in adopting the Phase 1 Bay-Delta Plan;
2. The JPIA Conference schedule; and
3. The construction costs trend line reported in Engineering News Record magazine.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning and Public Relations Committee, March 29, 2019

Director DeBoer stated that this item was previously discussed under Action Item No. 8.

C. DIRECTORS COMMENTS

Director Altieri

Director Altieri stated that her rain gauge at her home indicated that the District has received 26.1+ of rain. Director Altieri also asked Water Operations Manager Eric Thorburn if there were a lot of constituents passing on water. Water Operations Manager Eric Thorburn stated that there were not a lot of takers of water, but there is a lot of water in the Main and the other District canals.

Director Doornenbal

Director Doornenbal had no comments.

Director Santos

Director Santos had no comments.

Director DeBoer

Director DeBoer had no comments.

Director Orvis

Director Orvis reminded the Board about the Training scheduled for April 30, 2019. Director Orvis also stated that he had referenced the recent FishBio Report at the MID / TID FERC relicensing public outreach meeting last week on behalf of the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau. Director Orvis also commented that Congressman Harder was once again in the District and there was an ag organization meeting. He stated that Secretary Karen Ross was also in attendance.

At the hour of 10:00 a.m. the Board adjourned to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION
ITEM NO. 11

A. Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) - Existing Litigation
OGA v. Oakdale Irrigation District, et al.

At the hour of 10:30 a.m. the Board reconvened to open session.

Coming out of Closed Session Director Orvis stated that by a vote of 5-0 the Board of Directors approved payment of costs and recoverable attorneys fees in the case of OGA v. OID in the amount of \$338,671.37; and by a vote 3-2 the Board of Directors voted against directing staff to provide an internal accounting of the District's portion of fees and costs in the case of OGA v. OID. The maker and second on the motion were provided with an alternative method that would give them a roundabout figure and they were amicable to that method.

OTHER ACTION
ITEM NO. 12

At the hour of 10:33 a.m. the meeting was adjourned. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 9:00 a.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, April 18, 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