

MINUTES

Oakdale, California
January 19, 2021

The Board of Directors of the Oakdale Irrigation District invited all to recite the Pledge of Allegiance and then met in Session at the hour of 9:00 a.m. Upon roll call, there were present:

Directors: Tom Orvis, President
Brad DeBoer, Vice President
Herman Doornenbal
Linda Santos
Ed Tobias

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 deletion of agenda items.

ACTION TO TAKE VARIOUS ITEMS OUT OF SEQUENCE

There were no items taken out of sequence.

At the hour of 9:02 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.

Director Santos requested that Item No. 2 be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

CONSENT CALENDAR
ITEM NOS. 3, 4, 5, 7, 8

ITEM NO. 3
APPROVE OAKDALE IRRIGATION
DISTRICT'S STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Tobias 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
APPROVE IMPROVEMENT
DISTRICT'S STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

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

ITEM NO. 5
APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS FOR THE ELEVEN MONTHS ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 2020

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Tobias and was unanimously supported to approve the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements for the eleven months ending November 30, 2020 by a roll call vote of 5-0.

ITEM NO. 6
APPROVE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION APPROVING
THE OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT'S 2021 INVESTMENT POLICY

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Tobias and was unanimously supported to approve Adoption of the Resolution Approving the Oakdale Irrigation District's 2021 Investment Policy by a roll call vote of 5-0.

ITEM NO. 7
APPROVE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL
OF PROPERTY NO LONGER NECESSARY FOR DISTRICT PURPOSES

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Tobias and was unanimously supported to approve the Adoption of Resolution Authorizing Disposal of Property no Longer Necessary for District Purposes by a roll call vote of 5-0.

ITEM NO. 8
APPROVE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION ON ACCEPTANCE OF
DEDICATION AND NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF A WATER SERVICE
EXTENSION FOR FAIRWAY 7 ESTATES (APN: 064-016-004 – TESORO HOMES, INC.)

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Tobias and was unanimously supported to approve Adoption of the Resolution on Acceptance of Dedication and Notice of Completion of a Water Service Extension for Fairway 7 Estates (APN: 064-016-004 – Tesoro Homes, Inc.) by a roll call vote of 5-0.

The above consent items were approved by the following roll call vote:

Director Tobias	Yes
Director Doornenbal	Yes
Director Orvis	Yes
Director Santos	Yes
Director DeBoer	Yes

The motions passed by a 5-0 vote.

PULLED CONSENT CALENDAR
ITEM NO. 2

ITEM NO. 2
APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR MINUTES
OF SPECIAL MEETING ON DECEMBER 15, 2020
AND RESOLUTION NOS. 2020-37, 2020-38 AND 2020-39

A motion as made by Director Santos and seconded by Director Orvis to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting on December 15, 2020, contingent upon the removal of all but the last two sentences of Consent Calendar Item 8, and Resolution Nos. 2020-37, 2020-38 and 2020-39 and was voted by the following roll call vote:

Director Tobias	Yes
Director Doornenbal	No
Director Orvis	Yes
Director Santos	Yes
Director DeBoer	No

The motion passed by a 3-2 vote.

ACTION CALENDAR
ITEM NOS. 9, 10

ITEM NO. 9

REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AMENDING THE BOARD GUIDELINES TO INCLUDE THE USE OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES DURING BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND AFFIRM THAT SECTION 5.603 CELL PHONE/ELECTRONIC DEVICE USE OF THE PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES IS APPLICABLE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WHILE THEY ARE CONDUCTING WORK FOR THE DISTRICT

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Tobias and was unanimously supported to approve Adoption of the Resolution Amending the Board Guidelines to Include the Use of Electronic Communication Devices During Board and Committee Meetings and to affirm that Section 5.603 Cell Phone/Electronic Device Use of the Personnel Policies and Procedures is applicable to the Board of Directors while they are conducting work for the District by the following roll call vote:

Director Tobias	Yes
Director Doornenbal	Yes
Director Orvis	Yes
Director Santos	Yes
Director DeBoer	Yes

The motions passed by a 5-0 vote.

ITEM NO. 10

REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PRESIDENT'S SLATE OF DESIGNATED ASSIGNMENTS TO BOARD AND AD HOC COMMITTEES FOR 2021 AND 2022

A motion was made by Director DeBoer, seconded by Director Doornenbal to approve the President's slate of designated assignments to Board and Ad Hoc Committees for 2021 and 2022 as set forth below by the following roll call vote:

Director Tobias	Yes
Director Doornenbal	Yes
Director Orvis	Yes
Director Santos	No
Director DeBoer	Yes

The motions passed by a 4-1 vote.

Standing Committees	Director	Director	Alternate
Finance	DeBoer	Doornenbal	Tobias
Water/Engineering	DeBoer	Tobias	Doornenbal
Personnel	DeBoer	Tobias	Orvis
Planning & Public Rel.	DeBoer	Orvis	Tobias
Domestic Water	Orvis	Tobias	DeBoer
Tri-Dam Project	Doornenbal	Orvis	Tobias
SJTA	Doornenbal		Orvis
Ad Hoc Committees			
JPIA Representative	Orvis		Tobias
Misc. Policies Update	Orvis	Tobias	DeBoer
Development Architectural Plans New Gregor Facility	DeBoer	Orvis	
Public Relations/Outreach with the City of Oakdale	Orvis	Tobias	DeBoer

DISCUSSION
ITEM NOS. 11, 12

ITEM NO. 11
DISCUSSION / PRESENTATION ON THE DISTRICT'S
SURFACE WATER DIVERSIONS AND DEEP WELL PRODUCTION

Water Operations Manager Eric Thorburn gave a PowerPoint presentation on the District's surface water diversions and deep well production.

ITEM NO. 12
DISCUSSION ON DRAFT REVISED RULES & REGULATIONS
GOVERNING THE OPERATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF WATER
WITHIN THE OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT SERVICE AREA

Water Operations Manager Eric Thorburn discussed the revised Rules & Regulations Governing the Operation and Distribution of Water within the Oakdale Irrigation District Service Area (Rules & Regs). He asked that the Directors review the Rules & Regs and provide him with any comments or suggestions. This will be placed on the agenda at the next Board Meeting as an action item.

At the hour of 10:47 a.m. President Orvis re-opened Public Comment due to technical difficulties at the start of the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT
ITEM NO. 1

Robert Frobose – Mr. Frobose commented on the Minutes from the December 15, 2020 Board Meeting. Mr. Frobose also commented on the appointments to the Board and Ad Hoc Committees.

COMMUNICATIONS
ITEM NO. 13

A. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Steve Knell discussed the information that was contained in the Board Packet under Communications.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Ad Hoc Committee on the Architectural Plans on the Greger Facility met on December 22, 2020. A Technical Memorandum was provided memorializing the Ad Hoc Committee's suggestions which are provided in the General Manager's Report.

C. SUMMARY OF DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

Director Tobias

Director Tobias stated that his granddaughter Mia's birthday was today and he wanted to wish her a happy birthday. He stated that she is nine years old today. He also thanked the General Manager Steve Knell for providing a copy of the letter of praise for the Water Operations Manager Eric Thorburn and his staff. He stated that he appreciated receiving this letter because they do a great job.

Director Doornenbal

Director Doornenbal stated that he was going to miss the Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board Lori Fitzwater-Presley and stated that it has been a pleasure to have worked with her. He stated that he hoped she was blessed in her retirement.

Director Santos

Director Santos also congratulated Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board Lori Fitzwater-Presley on her retirement.

Director DeBoer

Director DeBoer also congratulated Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board Lori Fitzwater-Presley on her retirement. Director DeBoer said that he has been talking with some constituents and he was reminded about how blessed we are that the work that all of our forefathers did gave us this great District that we have today. He stated that the District could not have gotten to where it is today without a lot of foresight and investment in time and energy and quality employees. He stated that he would really like to see the Board look

forward and think about some new and innovative things. He said that the Board talked about having new reservoirs and asked that the District look into this further. We need to improve this District and continue to move forward for the people that are going to follow the current Board.

Director Orvis

Director Orvis said goodbye to 2020 and hello to 2021. Director Orvis stated that he is sure that there are things that everybody had that were enjoyable, but last year was a challenge. He stated that he did not think anyone has ever looked forward to a new year like we did last year. He thanked all of the employees and stated that it is admirable that we have gone through this for a year with very few issues affecting the District. He thanked the employees.

At the hour of 11:07 a.m. the Board took a short recess and adjourned to Closed Session at the hour of 11:20 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION
ITEM NO. 14

- A. Conference with Legal Counsel**
Government Code §54956.9(d)(2) – Anticipated Litigation
Significant Exposure to Litigation
One (1) Case

- B. Government Code §54957.6 – Conference with Labor Negotiator**
Agency Negotiator: General Manager
Represented Organization: OE3
Unrepresented Organization: Non-Exempt Confidential, Exempt
Supervisory and Exempt Management Bargaining Groups

At the hour of 12:19 p.m. the Board reconvened to open session.

Coming out of Closed Session Director Orvis stated that by a 5-0 vote the Board extended the Emergency Sick Leave for COVID retroactive from January 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021, with an opportunity to extend the leave beyond March 31, 2021, if necessary.

OTHER ACTION
ITEM NO. 15

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, February 2, 2021 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 **Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.** via teleconference and hosted by OID. Details can be obtained by calling (209) 847-0341.

Thomas D. Orvis, President
Board of Directors

Attest:

Steve Knell, P.E.
General Manager/Secretary