

MINUTES

Oakdale, California
September 4, 2018

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
Kathy Cook, Chief Financial Officer
Kim Bukhari, Human Resource Analyst

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 9:02 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM NO. 1

Robert Frobose spoke on an email he sent to the Board and water rights.

Elsie Martin thanked the Board for buying the table for the fundraiser for the Children's Guardian Fund on the 18 of August and stated that it was well attended and thanked the Board for their support.

CONSENT ITEMS
ITEM NOS. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

ITEM NO. 2
APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 7, 2018 AND RESOLUTION NO. 2018-48

A motion as made by Director Doornenbal seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 7, 2018 and Resolution No. 2018-48.

ITEM NO. 3
APPROVE OAKDALE IRRIGATION
DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve the Oakdale Irrigation District's Statement of Obligation.

ITEM NO. 4
APPROVE IMPROVEMENT
DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

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

ITEM NO. 5
APPROVE TREASURER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S
REPORTS FOR THE MONTH ENDING JULY 31, 2018

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer's Reports for the Month Ending July 31, 2018.

ITEM NO. 6
APPROVE ASSIGNMENT OF CAPITAL WORK ORDER NUMBERS

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

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Work Order No.</u>
Orange Blossom Drain	Replace pipeline with 48' HDPE pipeline, 1-12" 100 PSI PIP PVC, 1-12" starter coupler, 1-concrete connection collar, sand fill, crushed rock, and rip rap. (APN: 002-028-018/060)	\$62,500	2018-042
Reed Lateral	Installation of 1-36" Rubicon FlumeMeter, And 1-900 MHZ Radio. (APN: 002-007-030)	29,200	2018-043

ITEM NO. 7
APPROVE BOARD ATTENDANCE AT THE ACWA FALL
CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 27 – 30, 2018 IN SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve Board attendance at the ACWA Fall Conference November 27 – 30, 2018 in San Diego, California.

ITEM NO. 8
APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 12 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
2008-PSA-007 WITH BOUTIN JONES, INC. FOR REVISED HOURLY RATE SCHEDULE

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve Amendment No. 12 to Professional Services Agreement 2008-PSA-007 with Boutin Jones, Inc. for revised hourly rate schedule.

ITEM NO. 9
APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 040 TO GENERAL SERVICES
AGREEMENT 2013-GSA-32 WITH NORTHERN STEEL, INC. FOR
CUTTING, BENDING, AND PLACEMENT OF REBAR FOR ONE (1) EA.
STANDARD HEADWALL STRUCTURE LOCATED ON THE ORANGE BLOSSOM DRAIN

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to approve Work Release No. 040 to General Services Agreement 2013-GSA-32 with Northern Steel, Inc. for cutting, bending, and placement of rebar for one (1) ea. standard headwall structure located on the Orange Blossom Drain.

ACTION CALENDAR
ITEMS NOS. 10, 11, 12, 13

ITEM NO. 10
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE
SURFACE WATER AVAILABLE IN OCTOBER 2018

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to make surface water available in October 2018.

ITEM NO. 11
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE
OUT-OF-DISTRICT WATER AVAILABLE IN OCTOBER 2018

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Santos, and unanimously supported to make out-of-district water available in October 2018.

ITEM NO. 12
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO PROVIDE STAFF DIRECTION
ON THE NEXT STEPS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT
OF OID PROPERTY LOCATED AT GREGER AND KAUFMAN ROADS

Director Orvis wanted the record to show that Director Doornenbal left the meeting at 9:14 and returned at 9:15.

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to table this item until the next Board Meeting.

ITEM NO. 13
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO PROVIDE STAFF
DIRECTION ON THE OAKDALE JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL
DISTRICT'S GRANT REQUEST FOR ITS SCHOOL FARM PROJECT

A motion was made by Director Santos, seconded by Director Altieri, and unanimously supported to take this item to the Finance Committee, with the time for a reply date uncertain, and then bring it back to the Board.

COMMUNICATIONS
ITEM NO. 14

A. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

General Manager Steve Knell discussed that we are trending to the 215,000 acre foot use this year and the out of district water made available to local Ag is going to be less than 5,000 acre feet, not much more than last year.

As mentioned earlier Donnell's revenue is going to be short a few million dollars because of the downtime we have experienced. There will be an advisory committee meeting for Tri-Dam this afternoon that will probably provide more details.

He gave an update on the Two-Mile Bar Tunnel Project.

He discussed a letter to Sonny Perdue, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, he drafted and sent to the Board. It's in regards to a call to action to the Department of Agriculture involved in the WQCP's implementation. Common consent from the Board to proceed with the letter was given.

General Steve Knell commented on Kathy Cook's years of dedicated service to OID.

General Manager Steve Knell introduced the new Human Resource Analyst, Kim Bukhari.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

C. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

Director Altieri

Director Altieri had no comments.

Director Doornenbal

Director Doornenbal had no comments.

Director Santos

Director Santos wanted to reiterate about the amount of water that we have left over at the end of the season. She thinks that we should reconsider moving quicker to a 10 day rotation during the heart of the season when it is needed. For some reason this year she had several landowners calling her saying that for years they had a certain amount of time to irrigate their ground and they keep getting cut back. If they are not able to get their irrigations done and they are 12 or 14 days rather than 10 then that's that much more water we should make available to them since we do have it available at the end of the season. You don't want to sacrifice the farmers and ranchers by shorting them their irrigation. She also commented on the bus trip to Sacramento for the rally at the capital and was impressed by some of the elected officials with what they had to say and with the enthusiasm and how spot on they were with the issues we are facing in this area. Everyone she spoke to felt this water issue is the fight of our lives and it will be a historical event and we have to prevail in this because it is the future or the death of agriculture and all the jobs that go with it. She also stated that it was nice to meet Kathy and get to know her and thanked her for her time with OID.

Director DeBoer

Director DeBoer thanked the Farm Bureau for getting the busses lined up for the rally in Sacramento. He was also impressed by the speakers and felt they did a great job. He also stated that he has come to appreciate the work of the President of the Board as he has watched and observed. The burden on the President of the Board is greater than it is on the typical director. He would like to plant the idea and maybe discuss at some point the feasibility of increasing the compensation for the President of the Board.

Director Orvis

Director Orvis stated that it was not only the Farm Bureau that helped with the rally, it was Stanislaus County and other organizations that pitched in and helped with donations. He also commented on the rally in Sacramento and that rally was one of the biggest in the last couple of years. Another thing to keep in mind as Director Santos pointed out and in my testimony that you are not just picking on Agriculture here you are picking on the entire community and you are choosing to take from many businesses and families. He also thanked Kathy Cook for her service and wished her the best.

At the hour of 10:39 a.m. the meeting adjourned to Closed Session

A member of the public, Robert Frobose, commented on Closed Session Item A.

CLOSED SESSION
ITEM NO. 15

A. Government Code §54956.8 Conference with Real Property Negotiator

Negotiating Parties: San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority and
State Water Contractors
Property: Water
Agency Negotiators: General Manager and Water Counsel
Under Negotiations: Price and Terms

B. Government Code §54957.6 - Conference with Labor Negotiator

Agency Negotiator: General Manager
Unrepresented Employee Organizations: Non-Exempt Confidential, Exempt
Supervisory, and Exempt Management Bargaining Groups

At the hour of 12:14 p.m. the meeting returned to open session.

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

OTHER ACTION
ITEM NO. 16

At the hour of 12:16 p.m. the Board meeting was adjourned. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 18, 2018 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, September 20, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room of the Oakdale Irrigation District, 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA.

Thomas D. Orvis, President

Attest:

Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary