

MINUTES

Oakdale, California
September 3, 2024

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
Linda Santos
Herman Doornenbal
Ed Tobias

Staff Present: Scot A. Moody, General Manager/Secretary
Sharon Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer
Joe Kosakiewicz, Construction and Maintenance Manager

Also Present: Fred Silva, General Counsel
Tim O'Laughlin, Water 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

There were no public comments.

Public comment closed at 9:03 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

CONSENT CALENDAR **ITEM NOS. 1-7**

1. Approve the Board of Directors Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 6, 2024
2. Approve Oakdale Irrigation District's Statement of Obligations
3. Approve OID Improvement Districts' Statement of Obligations
4. Approve the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements for the Seven Months Ending July 31, 2024
5. Approve the Renewal of Delta Dental Plan Insurance Coverage Effective January 1, 2025

6. Approve the Renewal of Vision Service Plan Insurance Coverage Effective January 1, 2025
7. Approve Rejection of Claim Submitted by Michael and Kim Jerome

A motion was made by Director Santos and seconded by Director Tobias to approve the above-noted Consent Item Nos. 1-7

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

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

ACTION CALENDAR
ITEM NOS. 8-12

ITEM NO. 8
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE REVISED 2024
UNREPRESENTED EMPLOYEE SALARY AND WAGE SCHEDULES
EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

A motion was made by Director Santos and seconded by Director Tobias to approve the revised 2024 Unrepresented Employee Salary and Wage Schedules effective September 8, 2024.

At the hour of 9:09 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment on Item No. 8. There were no public comments.

Public comment closed at 9:10 a.m. on Item No. 8 and the Board Meeting continued.

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

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

ITEM NO. 9
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO AWARD THE BID TO SIERRA
MOUNTAIN CONSTRUCTION, INC. AS THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE AND
RESPONSIBLE BIDDER FOR THE SOUTH MAIN CANAL TUNNEL 9
DOWNSTREAM PORTAL AND ACCESS RAMP IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
AND AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE ASSOCIATED
CHANGE ORDERS

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal and seconded by Director DeBoer, with consideration by the Board that the bid protest and challenge has been addressed, to award the bid to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the South Main Canal Tunnel 9 Downstream Portal and Access Ramp Improvements Project and authorize the General Manager to execute associated change orders.

At the hour of 9:14 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment on Item No. 9. There were no public comments.

Public comment closed at 9:15 a.m. on Item No. 9 and the Board Meeting continued.

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

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

ITEM NO. 10
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 5 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT 2024-PSA-002 WITH PROVOST & PRITCHARD, INC. (P&P) TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND QUALITY ASSURANCE SERVICES FOR THE SOUTH MAIN CANAL TUNNEL 9 DOWNSTREAM PORTAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

A motion was made by Director Santos and seconded by Director DeBoer to approve Work Release No. 5 to Professional Services Agreement 2024-PSA-002 with P&P to provide construction management and quality assurance services for the South Main Canal Tunnel 9 Downstream Portal Improvements Project and authorize the General Manager to execute the Work Release upon approval.

At the hour of 9:19 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment on Item No. 10. There were no public comments.

Public comment closed at 9:19 a.m. on Item No. 10 and the Board Meeting continued.

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

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

ITEM NO. 11
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO AWARD THE BID TO DRILL
TECH DRILLING & SHORING, INC. (DTDS) AS THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE
AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER FOR THE PAULSELL LATERAL TUNNELS 1
AND 2 IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL
MANAGER TO EXECUTE ASSOCIATED CHANGE ORDERS

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal and seconded by Director Tobias to award the bid to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the Paulsell Lateral Tunnels 1 and 2 Improvements Project and authorize the General Manager to execute associated change orders.

At the hour of 9:21 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment on Item No. 11. There were no public comments.

Public comment closed at 9:21 a.m. on Item No. 11 and the Board Meeting continued.

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

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

ITEM NO. 12
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE
IRRIGATION WATER AFTER THE END OF THE WATER YEAR ON
SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 TO IN-DISTRICT LANDS ONLY

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal and seconded by Director Tobias to continue to provide irrigation water after the end of the water year on September 30, 2024 to in-district lands only.

At the hour of 9:25 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment on Item No. 12. There were no public comments.

Public comment closed at 9:25 a.m. on Item No. 12 and the Board Meeting continued.

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

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

COMMUNICATIONS
ITEM NOS. 13-16

ITEM NO. 13
DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

Director Tobias:

Director Tobias stated that we're closing out a great year and that he appreciates the water delivery staff's efforts.

Director Doornenbal:

Director Doornenbal shared that he is pleased with staff's work with automation this year and that the ditch tenders have been doing great work.

Director Santos:

Director Santos echoed what Director Doornenbal said and thanked the staff.

Director DeBoer:

Director DeBoer thanked staff and celebrated them for getting to the end of the harvest season. He said that it's good to be able to give people a positive outlook, because OID is a positive place with strong water rights and the ability to provide water to our constituents even in low water years.

Director Orvis:

Director Orvis stated that he believes the District is in good shape financially with the staff's excellent oversight of resources. He concluded by stating that staff did a good job reacting to our constituents' needs during the recent heatwaves.

ITEM NO. 14
COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

ITEM NO. 15
GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT ON THE STATUS OF OID ACTIVITIES

General Manager, Scot Moody, reported that he, along with Eric Thorburn (Water Operations Manager/District Engineer) and Joe Buila (Water Utilities Supervisor), attended an online webinar hosted by ACWA about "Making Conservation the California Way of Life," and that he believes that our District will be considered too small to comply.

Mr. Moody stated that he sent the Board a document regarding STRGBA putting together a committee to help address management actions and that a proposal is out to bid for someone to manage the process for us.

Mr. Moody concluded by giving a report on the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority's (ESJGWA) five-year update that was on ESJGWA's agenda for their August 14, 2024 Board meeting.

ITEM NO. 16
WATER COUNSEL REPORT

Water Counsel expressed that his report would be addressed in Closed Session.

At the hour of 10:00 a.m. President Orvis announced the items to be discussed in Closed Session and the Board welcomed public comment on Item Nos. 17-19.

There were no public comments. Public comment closed at 10:01 a.m. on Item Nos. 17-19 and the Board took a recess and convened to Closed Session at 10:12 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION
ITEM NOS. 17-19

17. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(2)
Two (2) cases

18. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)
Two (2) cases
 - Threfall Ranch LP v. Oakdale Irrigation District, et al
Superior Court of Stanislaus County
Case No. CV-24-006033

 - San Joaquin Tributaries Authority, et al v. California State Water Resources Control Board
County of Sacramento Superior Court
Case No. JCC 5013

19. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8
Property: 6000 Albers Road, Oakdale
Agency Negotiator: General Manager and Chief Financial Officer
Negotiating Parties: N/A
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

11:19 a.m. – Director Tobias left the Board Room.

11:20 a.m. – Director Tobias returned to the Board Room.

11:48 a.m. – Director Santos recused herself from one (1) case under Closed Session Item No. 17 and left the Board Room.


At the hour of 12:11 p.m. the Board reconvened to open session. Coming out of Closed Session, President Orvis stated there were no reportable actions.

OTHER ACTION

At the hour of 12:12 p.m. the meeting was adjourned. The Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.** 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 Project** and **Tri-Dam Authority** and other joint business matters is scheduled for **Thursday, September 19, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room at the office of Oakdale Irrigation District, 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA.

Attest:



Scot A. Moody
General Manager/Secretary



Thomas D. Orvis, President
Board of Directors