

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OF THE  
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
JANUARY 11, 2018**

At 5:00pm President Winchester called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Browns Valley Irrigation District to order. Directors present were and Wheeler, Bordsen, Lowe and Woods. Also in attendance were Manager McNally and Clerk Springsteen.

**1. Call for nominations, and the Election of Officers.** President Winchester called for nominations for the Election of Officers. Director Winchester, seconded by Director Woods moved to nominate Director Wheeler as President. All ayes, motion passed. Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Winchester moved to nominate Director Woods as Vice President. All ayes, motion passed. Director Winchester then passed the gavel to Director Wheeler.

Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Lowe, moved to appoint Ryan McNally as Secretary/Treasurer and Donna Springsteen as Clerk. All ayes, motion passed. Manager McNally then presented a plaque to past President Winchester in recognition of his service as Board President.

**2. Minutes:** The Minutes of the December 14, 2017 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Woods. All ayes, motion passed.

**3. Public Forum:** None

**4. Finance Committee Report: Concerning the Financial Report for December 2017.** Director Bordsen reported that the Committee had reviewed the financial records for the month of December and found everything to be in order. Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Woods moved to approve the financial reports for the month of December. All ayes, motion passed.

**5.The Board will consider adopting Resolution 01-11-18-01 proclaiming the existence of a continued local emergency due to the Cascade Fire and its effect on District infrastructure. .**

Director Winchester, seconded by Director Wheeler moved to approve Resolution 01-11-18-01. President Wheeler then polled the Board:

AYES: Directors Winchester, Bordsen, Wheeler, Lowe & Woods  
NOES: none  
ABSTAIN: none  
ABSENT: none  
Resolution 01-11-18-01 Passed

**6. The Board will discuss repairing damages to the Thousand Trails Ditch with local funds.**  
Discussion only, no action taken.

## **7. Manager's Report:**

### **COLLINS LAKE STATUS**

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
<b>TODAY</b>	<b>34,010 AF</b>	<b>68.7%</b>	<b>1,165.9 FT</b>	<b>17.1 FT</b>	<b>0.0 CFS</b>	<b>0 KW</b>
1 YEAR AGO	49,500 AF	100.0%	1,183.0 FT	0.0 FT	SPILLING	50 KW

### **STAFF ACTIVITIES**

Hinman and Associates Consulting has completed and delivered the updates to the District's Emergency Action Plan (EAP).

On 12/20/2017, staff submitted the final VRD Focused Spillway Assessment as required by FERC.

Staff is working with the Yuba County Water Agency and the Accord Member Units to develop an amendment to the Conjunctive Use Agreements that will remove the provision where the pumpers do not receive payment for Schedule 6 pumping.

Staff completed a needs assessment for eligibility toward IRWMP funding.

Don Moss is scheduled to begin the annual maintenance at the powerhouse during the week of 01/15/2018.

### **CURRENT PROJECTS**

#### **Annexation**

The annexation was pulled from the January 3, 2018 LAFCO meeting to discuss a possible de-annexation of parcels shared with the North Yuba Water District. The Manager will meet with LAFCO and NYWD on February 21, 2018 to discuss this and endeavor to keep the current annexation moving forward and address de-annexing from North Yuba at a later time.

#### **Caltrans Highway 20 Realignment**

Staff has been continually working with Caltrans to identify infrastructure conflicts and easements required for the realignment project.

Staff also plans on advertising an RFQ over the next several weeks for an engineering firm to design the replacement infrastructure as well as develop the bid specs for the project. This work will be reimbursed by Caltrans.

#### **Cascade Fire**

Staff met with FEMA in an attempt to expedite work to allow completion of the flumes prior to the 2018 Irrigation Season.

Staff has ordered 800 feet of 24" corrugated half pipe to begin construction of the flumes.

## **PAST MEETINGS**

- 12/18/17 The Technical Services Manager attended the FEMA / CalOES Applicant's Workshop for the Cascade Fire at Yuba County.
- 12/18/17 The Manager attended a Groundwater Management Workshop at YCWA.
- 01/04/18 The Manager, Operations Manager and Technical Services Manager met with FEMA to discuss fire damages.
- 01/11/18 The Manager attended a Cascade Fire after action review at Yuba County.

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- 01/23/18 The Farmer's Conservation Alliance will give a presentation at YCWA at 9:00 AM.
- 01/31/18 YCWA Groundwater Sustainability Committee Meeting (GSC) at the Yuba County Government Center at 9:00 AM.
- 02/09/18 The Manager will attend an initial meeting with the Accord buyers in Sacramento.

## **DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS**

- RECENT PROJECTS
1. Began spraying the ditches weather permitting.
  2. Completed tree clearing on the Arnold ditch.
  3. Replaced two three-inch air vents on the Upper Main pipeline.
  4. Operations Manager renewed the District's pesticide permit and completed the Department of Environmental Health hazardous materials report to obtain the District's Consolidated Permit.
  5. Completed flume repair for the #1 flume downstream of the McDrip paddlewheel.
  6. Two employees were randomly chosen for drug testing. The tests were done 1/9/2018.
  7. Replaced the diesel transfer pump on the old 1-ton truck. The old pump was rebuilt several times and could no longer be fixed.
  8. Used motor oil was recycled at YSDI.
  9. Two identification signs were installed at the Virginia Ranch Dam toe drains.
  10. Operations Manager gave a tour of the burned flumes to eight FEMA employees on 12/28/2017.
- FUTURE PROJECTS
1. Work on the damage caused by the Cascade fire.
  2. Rebuild the flumes on the Thousand Trails ditch.
  3. Finish the ditch work on the Ellis ditch.

**8. Director's Comments and Reports:** Director Lowe discussed the new marijuana laws and how they could affect our Drug & Alcohol Policy.

## **9. Correspondence:**

- Letter dated December 26, 2017 to BVID from Collins Lake regarding fees for 2018

**10. Closed Session:** Conference with legal counsel--anticipated litigation; Government Code sections 54954.5(c) and 54956.9(a) and (d)(2) and (3); significant exposure to litigation involving one case.

**11. Closed Session:** Conference with real property negotiator involving the Collins Lake Concessionaire Agreement; Director's Lowe and Woods (Concessionaire Committee) and Ryan McNally, District negotiator(s). Instructions to the negotiator(s) may include specific terms of the Agreement. Government Code sections 54954.2 and 54934.5.

**12. Open Session:** The Board will report any action taken in closed session.

**Agenda Item 10:** Discussion only, no action taken.

**Agenda Item 11:** Discussion only, no action taken.

**13. Adjournment:**