

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
JANUARY 14, 2010**

President Winchester called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Browns Valley Irrigation District to order. Other Directors present were Woods, Bordsen, Lowe and Wheeler. Also in attendance were Manager Cotter and Clerk Powell.

Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Winchester, moved to add emergency agenda item "1a. 2010 COLA/Raise Consideration." All ayes, motion passed.

1. Election of Officers: Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Bordsen, moved to nominate Director Woods as President and Director Lowe as Vice-President. All ayes, motion passed.

1a. 2010 COLA/Raise Consideration: Director Winchester, seconded by Director Woods, moved to approve a 1% raise (no COLA) for all employees. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Minutes: The Minutes of the December 10, 2009 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Lowe. All ayes, motion passed.

3. Public Forum: None.

4. Delivery of Water to the Miller Parcel: No action taken.

5. Finance Committee Report:

- **Financial Report for month of December:** Directors Wheeler and Winchester reported that they had reviewed the December financial records and found everything to be in order. Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Bordsen, moved to approve the December Financial Report. All ayes, motion passed.
- **Investment of the Future Cash Flow Reserve Funds:** No action taken.
- **Update and consider revising the 2009 Contingent Purchase list:** No action taken.

6. Collins Lake Drought Update: No action taken.

7. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

Current elevation is 1,142.0 ft, which is 41.0 ft below spill. This amounts to 32.5% of storage with 16,100 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is off with releases of 1.02 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,133.3 ft, which is

49.7 ft below spill (22.4% or 11,150 Acre Feet). The Generator was off with releases of 1.02 cfs.

Staff Activities:

On January 13, 2010 three crew members attended a canal water meter repair class at Chico State College.

Late December two crew members participated in an online pesticide training class.

Financial Activities:

On December 30th the CD at GE Money Bank in the amount of \$39,000 matured. \$41,000 has been rolled into the Franklin Adjustable US Government Securities Fund that is currently earning 2.53%.

On January 6th the CD at Butte Federal Credit Union in the amount of \$115,300 matured. A CD in the \$116,300 was purchased at Umpqua Bank for 18 months at 1.49%.

Dump Truck:

The “used” 2009 Kenworth dump truck that we were considering sold before we could finalize the deal. The dealer is looking for another truck with like specifications.

New Equipment Purchases:

Since the last Board meeting we have purchased:

2008 Bobcat (tracked skid steer) with 160 hours for \$52,500 (including a 4-in-1 bucket).

New Econoline 52,000 GVWR equipment trailer for \$13,150.

New Trimble Geo Explorer XH GPS unit and software for \$8,470

Marcia Pump:

During the Holidays a vehicle hit the District’s meter pole along Maysville Road, disturbing the pole. PG&E has removed the power from this pole and will not reenergize until the pole is squared up and a guy wire is placed to offset the load of the drop wire.

Meetings:

Past:

12-14-09 I met with Kirk Uhler (Government Solar Consulting) concerning the possibility of solar power for the District.

- 12-16-09 Director Winchester attended the NCWA Board meeting at YCWA.
- 12-18-09 Director Winchester and I attended the YCWA Member Unit meeting in Marysville.
- 12-29-09 Directors Winchester and Wheeler and I met with Jim Kennedy (County Treasurer) concerning the investment of funds.
- 1-08-10 I participated in the Accord Executive Committee conference call concerning a YCWA resolution to support water transfers.
- 1-08-10 I attended the ACWA multi-region (2, 3 & 4) roundtable meeting in Sacramento concerning policy issues with the recently passed Water Package.
- 1-12-10 I attended the YCWA board meeting in Marysville.
- 1-13-10 Mark Sayers and I attended the Yuba Project Relicensing meeting in Marysville.
- 1-13-10 Mark Sayers attended the USDA Rural Development, Rural Energy for America Program grant application workshop in Oroville.
- 1-13-10 The Hydro Committee (Directors Winchester and Bordsen) met with Kirk Uhler (Government Solar Consulting) concerning the possibility of solar power for the District.
- 1-13-10 I attended the PG&E/DWR meeting concerning a Habitat Expansion Plan for the Lower Yuba River in Marysville.
- 1-14-10 Director Winchester and I attended the YCWA Member Unit meeting in Marysville
- 1-14-10 The Finance Committee (Directors Wheeler and Winchester) met to review the November bills.

Future:

- 1-18-10 NCWA Communications Committee conference call.
- 1-19-10 Sacramento Valley IRWMP meeting in Willows.
- 1-20-10 Yuba County IRWMP meeting in Marysville.
- 1-20-10 NCWA Managers meeting in Yuba City.
- 1-21-10 YCWA Member Unit meeting in Marysville.
- 1-22-10 ACWA Region 2 Board meeting at Western Canal WD.
- 1-26-10 ACWA Water Package Implementation Workshop.

Projects:

Past:

1. Audited Northridge, E. Burris, and Virginia Road section of the Hill Road pipeline.
2. Repaired the road into the head of the Sicard ditch including:
 - Rebuilt the wooden bridge at Porter Creek so it will hold the weight of a loaded dump truck.
 - Replaced three culverts with salvaged pipe.
 - Placed many loads of rock on the road to make it passable up to the ditch bank.
3. Began hauling pipe into the head of the Sicard weather permitting.
4. Built the screen box for the Landerman pipeline.
5. Marked many of the District main valves and fixtures with PVC pipe markers.
6. Brushed around approximately half of the Upper Main pipeline appurtences and wrapped the fixtures for freeze protection.
7. Built 300 new service locks.
8. Mechanically cleaned a section of the Heintzen ditch.
9. The 2007 pickup truck #4 was hit by another driver on December 2, 2009 has been repaired and is back in service. The repair cost will be covered by insurance.
10. Burned a large pile of brush in the District yard.

Future:

1. Repair the break on the Upper Main pipeline.
2. Begin replacing the pipe at the head of the Sicard ditch.
3. Return to the Hill Road pipeline for more auditing.
4. Spray weather permitting.

8. Goals for the 5370 Marysville Road Property- Discussion only, no action taken.

9. Hydro Committee Report: No action taken.

10. Correspondence:

- Letter from MBK regarding measurement, reporting, compliance & enforcement.
- Letter from Bartkiewicz, Kronick & Shanahan regarding fees for 2010.
- Letter from Manager Cotter to Curt Aikens regarding 1960 Water Sale Agreement.
- Email from Sandra Higareda regarding a potential pipeline project on Township.
- Invitation from NCWA to 18th Annual Meeting.

14. Adjournment: There being no further business before the Board, President Woods adjourned the meeting.