

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
JANUARY 14, 2016**

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

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

2. Minutes: The Minutes of the December 17, 2015 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Lowe. All ayes, motion passed.

3. Public Forum: None

At the request of the Director Bordsen, Agenda Item 8 to be moved up to after Public Forum.

8. The Board will discuss the “Yuba County Groundwater Community Benefit Act” and the “Yuba County Recharged Groundwater Revenue Distribution” initiatives and take action as appropriate. Tabled, no action taken.

4. Finance Committee Report: 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 moving forward with a preliminary feasibility study regarding a scaled down Tennessee Ditch Hydroelectric project. A motion by Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Lowe to move forward with a feasibility study. All ayes, motion passed.

6. The Board will discuss the Proposition 218 rate study hearing process and take action as appropriate. A motion by Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Winchester to cancel the Prop 218 Study for this year and leave the rates the same as 2015 and to also direct Manager McNally to explore a comprehensive rate study and salary survey to be completed by a consultant in 2016. All ayes, motion passed.

7. The Board will discuss the BVID History Book. No action taken.

Agenda Item 8 moved to Item 4

9. The Board will receive a report concerning the proposed Water Service Agreement with the Yuba County Water Agency. No action taken

10. Manager's Report:

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	11,360 AF	22.9%	1,133.9 FT	49.1 FT	1.0 CFS	0 KW
1 YEAR AGO	22,930 AF	46.3%	1,151.9 FT	32.9 FT	1.0 CFS	0 KW

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Staff has begun the 2016 budget process and should have preliminary work for the Committee to review in the next two weeks.

The Manager of North Yuba Water District has identified several parcels in BVID that also are within the NYWD and we are working together to get those cleaned up.

Don Moss is scheduled to reinstall the heat exchanger in the generator next week. The repair consisted of finding the individual leaks and sealing them with plugs that expand and seal the leaking tubes against the end plates.

Per Board direction, the Manager submitted a nomination for Director Winchester to serve on the NCWA Board of Directors for a two-year term from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017.

The tenants of the Marysville Road property advised staff of several problems with the home including a faulty water heater and the plumbing failing to drain. Staff consequently replaced the water heater and upon further inspection of the septic system, determined it needed pumped. That work was completed 01/11/2016.

Staff has asked Beymer Well Service to provide a quote on rebuilding up to three (3) pumps at the river due to substandard efficiency readings. Work will proceed ASAP pending the 2016 Budget process.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Peoria Pipeline

Staff is preparing to begin installing pipe where the last phase ended near Arrowhead Trail. Easement work is being finalized and work extending south along Township Road will begin during the next dry period (between rains).

Annexation

Final survey work is near complete.

Agricultural Water Management Plan

Staff has received bids from MBK and Davids Engineering for work surrounding the AWMP process. Davids Engineering was the Apparent Low Bidder, but the award is pending staff review for the best overall value to the District.

PAST MEETINGS

- 01/06/16 Director Winchester and the Manager attended a YCWA Water Supply Contract Meeting.
01/14/16 The Manager met with Santa Clara Valley Water District via telephone.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 01/20/16 Meeting with YCWA to discuss the Power Enhancement Agreement.
01/20/16 Meeting with YCWA to discuss the Water Supply Contract.
01/26/16 Meeting with YCWA to discuss the Power Enhancement Agreement.
02/03/16 YCWA Groundwater Management Workshop.

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

- RECENT PROJECTS
1. Replaced the worn door on the CAT 307 excavator.
 2. Finished mechanical cleaning of the Arnold, Palomine, and Ellis ditches.
 3. Moved some equipment to the Lower Ellis pipeline project. An encroachment permit was purchased and we are now having the road easement at the first property surveyed.
 4. Replaced 60' of failed pipe on the Heintzen ditch above the Pumpline Canal.
 5. Reattached 2 steel water deflector plates at Virginia Ranch Dam powerhouse near the Howell Bunger valve.
 6. Rebuilt the Kawasaki Mule trailer.
 7. Inspected the services on Vickie Drive and Hill Road. Rebuilt the services on Vickie Drive and Hill Road as needed.
 8. Repaired a leak on the Hill Road pipeline across from the Lions Club on R.G.Woods property.
 9. Rebuilt the H-4 service on the Pumpline Canal.
 10. Tony completed the yearly permitting for Feather River Air Quality Management District.
 11. Removed a pressure reducer from the Bald Mountain pipeline so it can be rebuilt.
 12. Removed down trees from the Heintzen, Sicard, B.V.Main, and the Thousand Trails ditches.
 13. Replaced part of the flooring in the master bedroom closet then replaced the water heater, dug up and pumped the septic tank, and repaired the garage lights at the District rental.

- FUTURE PROJECTS
1. Continue tree and brush removal on District right of ways.
 2. Begin the southern section of the Ellis pipeline.
 3. Finish the new gate for the District driveway.

11. Director's Comments and Reports: None

12. Correspondence:

- Letter dated December 28, 2015 to BVID from BKS regarding Legal Services Fees for 2016
- Memo dated January 11, 2016 to BVID from MBK regarding Current Status of Sustainable Groundwater Management

13. Closed Session: Conference with real property negotiator involving BVID's Pre-1914 appropriative water rights; Ryan McNally, District negotiator(s), will negotiate with Yuba County Water Agency for a lease of BVID's pre-1914 water right for power generation purposes. Instructions to the negotiator(s) may include price, terms of payment, or both.

14. Open Session: The Board will report any action taken in closed session: No action taken.

15. Adjournment: