

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
MARCH 11, 2010**

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

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the February 25, 2010 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Winchester. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: Employee Ken Hugg thanked the Board on behalf of the crew for 2010 raises. No action taken.

3. Water Issues Briefing: Presentation by Executive Director of NCWA Donn Zea, no action taken.

4. Finance Committee Report:

- **Financial Report for Month of February:** Director Winchester reported that he and Director Wheeler had reviewed the February financial records and found everything to be in order. Director Winchester, seconded by Director Bordsen, moved to approve the Financial Report for the month of February. All ayes, motion passed.
- **Resolution to Set 2010 Water Rates:** Director Winchester, seconded by Director Bordsen, moved to adopt Resolution 3-10-10-01 approving water rates and charges for the 2010 irrigation season with no increases from previous year. Director Woods then polled the Board:
AYES Directors Winchester, Woods, Lowe and Bordsen
NOES- None
ABSTAIN- None
ABSENT- Director Wheeler

5. Collins Lake Drought Update: No action taken.

6. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

Current elevation is 1,168.3 ft, which is 14.7 ft below spill. This amounts to 73% of storage with 36,460 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is off with releases of 1.02 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,167.5 ft, which is 15.5 ft below spill (71% or 35,450 Acre Feet). The Generator was off with releases of 1.02 cfs.

Don Moss (Henwood Associates) is finishing up the annual maintenance of the Powerhouse. Included in his work this year is the replacement of the brushes and the brush holders as brushes are no longer available for the old brush holders.

BVID Newsletter:

The first newsletter of 2010 is at the printers now and is expected to be in mailboxes early next week.

Meetings:

Past:

- 02-26-10 I attended the north Yuba Groundwater Basin meeting at YCWA.
- 03-01-10 Director Winchester attended the ACWA Groundwater Committee meeting in Sacramento.
- 03-01-10 I participated in a NCWA Communications Committee conference call.
- 03-02-10 I attended the YCWA Board workshop in Marysville concerning the Bay Delta Conservation Plan.
- 03-03-10 I attended the north Yuba Groundwater Basin meeting at YCWA.
- 03-05-10 I attended the north Yuba Groundwater Basin/District 10 meeting at YCWA.
- 03-08-10 Mark Sayers escorted Craig Altare (MWH) and DWR on an inspection tour of two of the Accord wells that have been converted from diesel.
- 03-09-10 The Finance Committee (Directors Wheeler and Winchester) met to review the February bills and discuss the draft 2010 Budget.
- 03-09-10 The Water Sale Committee (Directors Winchester and Woods) met to discuss the 2010 pumping allocations and the 2010 Yuba River Conserved Water Transfer.
- 03-10-10 Mark Sayers attended the Yuba FERC Relicensing meeting at YCWA.
- 03-10-10 Mark Sayers attended the Delta Water Forum in Chico concerning the Bay Delta Conservation Plan.
- 03-11-10 I participated in an ACWA Region 2 Legislative sub-committee conference call.
- 03-11-10 The Personnel Committee (Directors Bordsen and Lowe) met to discuss a step raise for a crewmember.

Future:

- 03-12-10 NCWA Manager's meeting at YCWA.
- 03-17-10 South Yuba Groundwater Basin meeting at YCWA.
- 03-19-10 ACWA Region 2 Board meeting at Western Canal WD.

Projects:

Past:

1. Audited a large section of the Landerman pipeline and rebuilt some of the old services.

2. Built paddlewheel screen boxes.
3. Set two new canal gates at the KD and CC turnouts.
4. Installed trailer brakes on the new ¾ ton pickup truck.
5. Completed the refurbishing of the house at 5370 Marysville Road. Carpet will be installed the week of March 15th.
6. Rebuilt the floor in an outbuilding at the new property.
7. Registered the new equipment trailer which required an inspection at DMV.
8. Purchased a large quantity of safety gear from a local business that closed up shop.
9. Rebuilt the keyway and installed a weir board lock at McEwen's property just north of highway 20 and the Pumpline Canal.
10. Disposed of the used motor at the authorized recycler.

Future:

1. Repair the break on the Upper Main pipeline.
2. Begin replacing the pipe at the head of the Sicard ditch.
3. Spray weather permitting.
4. Finish the concrete work in the new barn.
5. Install the Vollmer extension.
6. Rebuild the keyway at the H1 service on the Pumpline Canal.

7. Water Sale and Water Rights Committee Report:

- **Amendment #2 to Lower Yuba River Accord Agreement:** Director Winchester, seconded by Director Woods, moved to approve amendment #2 to the Lower River Accord Agreement for the Conjunctive Use of Surface and Groundwater Supplies. All ayes, motion passed.

Due to a conflict of interest Director Winchester then excused himself from the remainder of the meeting.

- **2010 Accord Groundwater Substitution Pumping Allocations Within BVID:** Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Lowe, moved to authorize Manager Cotter to allow full BVID pumping and, with the input of Steve Grinnell, work with the pumpers to adjust pumping to best fit the need. All ayes, motion passed.
- **2010 Yuba River Conserved Water Transfer:** No action taken.

8. QF Power Purchase Agreement: Director Lowe, seconded by Director Bordsen, moved to enter into a 2nd one year extension of the power purchase agreement for the Virginia Ranch Dam Powerhouse. All ayes, motion passed.

9. Existing Parcels with Multiple Services: Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Lowe, moved that parcels served by a pipeline that have more than 1 existing service outlet may split their total water order between the multiple services BUT the combination may not exceed the total number of units they are purchasing. Additionally, the Rules & Regulations must be updated to reflect and clarify this policy. All ayes, motion passed.

10. Correspondence:

- Letter from PG&E regarding QF Power Purchase Agreement.
- Letter from Manager Cotter to file regarding Saddleback and Accord pumping.
- Notice from ACWA-HBA regarding Anthem Blue Cross in the news recently.

11. Closed Session: Director Woods announced that the meeting would go into Closed Session to discuss an advancement for a crewmember. Any action taken in Closed Session would be reported when the meeting reconvened in Open Session.

12. Open Session: Director Woods announced that a step raise to Utility Worker I-Step 2 was approved for crewmember Thomas Wooten, retroactive to his 6 months from his date of hire.

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