

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OF THE  
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
MARCH 24, 2011**

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 Wheeler. Director Lowe was absent. Also in attendance were Manager Cotter and Clerk Powell.

**1. Minutes:** The Minutes of the March 10, 2011 Regular Board Meeting and the March 13, 2011 Special Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Wheeler. All ayes, motion passed.

**2. Public Forum:** None.

**3. Budget 2011:** Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Woods, moved to approve the 2011 Budget as presented, removing the cover letter on page #3. All ayes, motion passed.

**4. Manager's Report:**

**Collins Lake:**

Current elevation is 1,183.95 ft, which is 0.95 ft above spill. This amounts to an excess of 100% of storage with 49,500 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is running at 1,000 Kw with releases of 971 cfs (generation at 125 CFS and spill of 846 CFS). Last year on this date the elevation was 1,171.1ft, which is 11.9 ft below spill (77.76% or 38,490 Acre Feet). The Generator was off with releases of 1.02 cfs.

**County Supervisorial Redistricting:**

Yuba County is beginning its required work to consider adjusting the Supervisorial District Boundaries and has requested information on any planned (within one year) changes to BVID's District Boundaries or Board Member Divisions.

**Water Transfers:**

With the recent increases to both the State and Federal south of Delta water allocations to 70% State and 55% Federal, there is no chance for a 2011 water sale. The irony in all of this is that with all of the water and snow pack that these allocations still less than 100%.

**Radio System:**

As part of the renewal of the District's two-way radio system (and repeater), we have been informed that in 2012, the FCC will require the radios to operate under what is called Narrow-Banding. Some, if not several of the radios and perhaps the repeater will have to be replaced and a required upgrade installed in the remaining

radios. We will need to do an analysis of the radios in inventory to determine which radios will need replacement vs. an upgrade. This will need to be included in the 2012 budget.

**Meetings:**

**Past:**

- 03-11-11 Director Winchester and I attended the NCWA Annual meeting in Chico.
- 03-14-11 I attended the ACWA Energy Committee meeting in Sacramento.
- 03-14-11 Special Board meeting, Water Rate Hearing.
- 03-15-11 I attended the NCWA Bay-Delta Task Force meeting in Sacramento.
- 03-16-11 Director Winchester and I attended the Yuba Accord meeting at YCWA.
- 03-16-11 Director Winchester attended the NCWA Board meeting in Williams.
- 03-17-11 I attended the District 10 (pumpers) meeting at YCWA.
- 03-17-11 The Hydro and Pipeline Committees met to discuss projects in the District.

**Future meetings:**

- 03-25-11 ACWA Board meeting (as alternate Region 2 chair) in Sacramento.
- 03-28-11 through 04-04-11 Vacation.
- 04-06-11 FERC required Face-to-Face meeting in Wheatland.
- 04-06-11 ACWA Region 2 Legislative Sub-Committee conference call.
- 05-11-11 through 05-13-11 ACWA Conference in Sacramento

**Projects:**

**Past:**

1. Completed the office remodeling project.
2. Mechanically cleaned the Harding canal.
3. Built and installed a rack for metal storage in the new shop.
4. Sprayed the upper end of the Thousand Trails ditch. Also sprayed the wharf valve and main valve locations throughout the District.
5. Moved a service box on the Ellis pipeline (for Barrie Taylor).
6. Completed the 90 day B.I.T. inspection on the 1991 GMC dump truck.
7. Began work on the trash rack for the Pumpline canal at Loma Rica Road.
8. Began work on the Spring Glenn pipeline tie in at Loma Rica road.
9. Improved the turnaround area at the Thousand Trails/Harding canal diversion.
10. Serviced/repaired the pressure relief valve at the head of the Upper Main pipeline including the replacement of the Y- strainer and two failed valves connected to the unit. Also serviced the pressure reducer for the Bald Mountain pipeline.

**Future:**

1. Finish the last concrete pour in the new large shop.
2. Finish the upgrade the Spring Glenn pipeline connection.
3. Finish the Trash Rack on the Pumpline canal at Loma Rica Road.
4. Rebuild the Trash Rack at the head of the Lower Main/Olive Hill Siphon.
5. Continue Spray Program weather permitting.

**5. Hydro Committee Report:** No action taken.

**6. Pipeline Committee Report:** No action taken.

**7. History Committee Report:** Director Bordsen gave a report on his history research.  
No action taken.

**7. Director's Comments and Reports:** None.

**8. Correspondence:**

- Letter from ACWA to Congressmen regarding support of HR795.

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