

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
APRIL 1, 2008**

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

Public Forum: None.

Agreement between Browns Valley Irrigation District and its Landowners for Groundwater Pumping During 2008-2016: After discussion, Director Winchester challenged that he had a conflict of interest as he is one of less than 10 possible pumpers but abided by the request and left the Board room. After discussion, Director Lowe, seconded by Director Wheeler, moved to approve the Agreement with Landowner for Groundwater Pumping during 2008-2016 with the following changes; the District's retention for Schedule 6 actual pumping will be reduced to zero and the retention for the \$5.00 Capacity payment will be increased to 10%. All ayes, motion passed.

Director Winchester then reentered the Board room and took his seat.

Emergency/Drought Water Conservation – Ordinance: After discussion, Director Winchester asked that this draft Ordinance be released for public comment and that the comments and Ordinance be considered at the next Board meeting.

Drought Operations for 2008 in the Collins Lake Service Area: After discussing several possible operational options, Director Lowe, seconded by Director Wheeler, moved to set the maximum drawdown level for Collins Lake at 55' below spill. Four ayes and one no (Director Bordsen), motion passed. Director Lowe, seconded by Director Woods, moved to declare a State of Water Emergency in the Collins Lake Service Area. All ayes, motion passed.

By Board consciences staff will; 1) Start the irrigation season on April 7, 2008, 2) The water users be encouraged to conserve water and not spill water from their property or ponds, 3) The emergency reserve funds be released to cover the costs of this year's Water Emergency, 4) Begin the process of installing the 2 pumping stations on the Lower Heintzen and Saddleback (Lower Olive Hill) and 5) The District website be updated and used to help educate the water users as to the drought problems.

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