

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OF THE  
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
APRIL 10, 2014**

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 Winchester, Lowe and Woods. Director Wheeler was absent. Also in attendance were Manager Cotter, Assistant Manager McNally and Clerk Springsteen.

**1. Minutes:** The Minutes of the March 27, 2014 Regular Board Meeting and the April 1, 2014 Special Board meeting were approved with two corrections on a motion by Director Winchester, seconded by Director Woods. Director Winchester, Lowe, Bordsen and Wood ayes, Director Wheeler absent. Motion passed.

**2. Public Forum:**

- David Pietz from Township Rd Browns Valley talked about his concern regarding Collins Lake not being able to serve all the customers in the future due the constant increase in population and that he feels we are losing approximately 35% of the water from leaks in the system. President Bordsen responded that BVID is working on the pipeline and that additional storage is needed.
- Jeremy Berg form Peoria Rd Browns Valley stated that he had a problem with a neighbor stealing water and wasn't getting his water, the problem was corrected and he did receive his water in 2013.

**3. Finance Committee Report:** President Bordsen reported that the Committee had reviewed the financial records for the month of March and found everything to be in order. Director Lowe, seconded by Director Woods, moved to approve the financial reports for the month of March. Director Winchester, Lowe, Bordsen and Wood ayes, Director Wheeler absent. Motion passed.

**4. Manager's Report:**

**Collins Lake:**

The current elevation is 1,167.8 ft, which is 15.2 ft below spill. This amounts to 72.2% of storage with 35,720 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is off with minimal releases to Dry Creek. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,182.6 ft, which is 0.4 ft below spill (99.7% or 49,340 Acre Feet). The Generator was running at 120 Kw with releases of 35.4 cfs.

**Personnel Activities:**

The crewmember that stepped into a depression while out in the field and over-extended his knee, has been released from care and is back at work.

A crewmember received a one day suspension as part of his reprimand process.

**Dry Creek Recapture Project:**

The Mead & Hunt electrical engineer has been given direction on the functional specifications. The Assistant Manager has cleaned up the Prop 204 updates and billing and sent them to DWR for their approval.

**Tennessee Ditch Hydro Electric Project:**

PG&E has deemed the Fast Track Interconnection Study application complete and will begin the Fast Track Study.

**Water Transfers:**

There have been a few changes in the water market in just the last week. First, the State Water Contractors have changed the process for offering to purchase water from a matrix to a straight offer of \$400 per acre foot. Also, the Feather River Settlement Contractors are being notified that they will be receiving 100% of their contract supplies. This means that there will be a fair amount of water being transferred from their area.

**Meetings:****Past:**

- 03-28-14 I attended the ACWA Board meeting in Sacramento.
- 03-28-14 The Assistant Manager and I met with Mead & Hunt (by phone) to discuss the Dry Creek Recapture Project.
- 03-31-14 The Assistant Manager and I met with the new PG&E representative in Marysville.
- 03-31-14 I participated in the ACWA Excellence in Water Leadership Conference call.
- 03-31-14 I participated in the ACWA Region 2 Legislative Subcommittee Conference call.
- 04-01-14 The Assistant Manager and I met with PG&E at the O'Brien Lift Pump to discuss the location of the drop pole.
- 04-03-14 Director Lowe, the Assistant Manager and I attended the Member Unit meeting at YCWA.
- 04-07-14 The Assistant Manager and I attended the Accord Executive Committee meeting at YCWA.
- 04-09-14 The Assistant Manager and I attended the Accord Groundwater Substitution Pricing Negotiation in Sacramento.
- 04-10-14 The Finance Committee (Directors Bordsen and Winchester) met to review the March bills and statements.

**Future Meetings:**

- 04-11-14 NCWA Communications Committee conference call.
- 04-11-14 NCWA Dry Year Task Force meeting in Sacramento.
- 04-14-14 Groundwater workshop at YCWA.
- 04-15-14 Accord Groundwater Substitution Pricing Negotiation in Sacramento.

- 04-15-04 Meeting with Chevron Energy (solar) at BVID.
- 04-16-14 Yuba River IRWMP meeting in Marysville.
- 04-18-14 Assistant Manager to the NCWA Future Water Leaders Class in Hamilton City.

**Projects:**

**Past:**

1. Formed and poured the walls of the new O'Brien lift pump station.
2. Continued to audit the McDrip pipeline.
3. Weed abatement completed at the Ellis, Heintzen, and the Lower Main ditches.
4. Setting up the Pumpline Canal and the upper District for irrigation season.
5. Started forming the new keyway at Elisabeth Wood's ranch.
6. Repaired the alternator on the 1 ton 4x4 truck.
7. A new service was installed on the Peoria pipeline.
8. Gathered the materials for Elisabeth Wood's new service and will install it soon.

**Future Projects:**

1. Spray ditches weather permitting.
2. Complete pipeline repairs on the Redhill West, Redhill East, Sandy Way, and the Abel pipelines.
3. Install a temporary service for two customers that had their services disconnected due to the Loma Rica road improvement near Cross Star Trail.
4. Install a new service for Elisabeth Wood on the south side of Iowa City Road.

**5. The Board will discuss and consider the current dry conditions:** After discussion a motion by President Bordsen, seconded by Director Woods that the 2014 irrigation season will begin on April 21, 2014 assuming we don't receive any rain between now and then. Director Winchester, Lowe, Bordsen and Wood ayes, Director Wheeler absent. Motion passed.

**6. O'Brien Lift Pump (and pipeline):** Concerning the sizing of the pipeline for this project. A motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Woods moved to accept staff recommendations for 18 inch pipe for the O'Brien Lift Pump and Pipeline. Director Lowe, Bordsen and Wood ayes, Director Winchester abstain, Director Wheeler absent. Motion passed.

**7. The Board will discuss ACWA's Recommendations for Achieving Groundwater Sustainability.** Discussion only, no action taken.

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

**9. Correspondence:**

- Letter dated April 10, 2014 to BVID Board from Manager Cotter and Asst Manager McNally regarding the staff recommendation on pipe size for the O'Brien lift pump.
- Letter dated April 4, 2014 from ACWA to secretaries Laird, Rodriguez and Ross regarding ACWA's Recommendations for Achieving Groundwater Sustainability

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