

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
APRIL 14, 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 Lowe. Director Wheeler was absent. Also in attendance were Manager Cotter and Clerk Powell.

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the March 24, 2011 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Bordsen. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None.

3. Finance Committee Report: Director Winchester reported that the committee had reviewed the records for the month of March and found everything to be in order. Director Winchester, seconded by Director Lowe moved to approve the financial records for the month of March. All ayes, motion passed.

4. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

Current elevation is 1,183.02 ft, which is 0.02 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 127 cfs (generation at 125 CFS and spill of 2 CFS). Water has begun flowing into the District's delivery system and we expect to be at full delivery by Monday the 18th. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,177.5ft, which is 5.5 ft below spill (89.9% or 44,500 Acre Feet). The Generator was off with releases of 1.02 cfs.

Financial Activities:

Using money market funds at Edward Jones, we purchased a CD at Discover Bank (Delaware) for \$3,000 for 29 months at 1.84%.

Yuba River:

The bypass channel that feeds water to the John Nelson Fish Screen has been partially filled in from the high winter flows in the Yuba River. The debris is concentrated in the upper section of the channel that brings water from the River over to the foot of the training wall. We have contacted DFG and will be moving in to clean out the gravel soon.

Delta Stewardship Council:

Several water agencies (including BVID) have put together a comment letter to address concerns with the second draft of the Delta Plan. Some of the larger

concerns include; regulating water management statewide and to regulate actions outside of the legal Delta.

LAFCO:

Now that the Sphere of Influence map for BVID has been finalized, a previous request to annex by landowners on Therese Trail has been reactivated. This provides the trigger that will allow the cleanup annexation that we have wanted to do for several years. This annexation can include the Obrien Ranch, Sugar Loaf, Los Verjeles as well as Therese Trail (and could include Jay Ray subdivision).

Browns Valley Main ditch Realignment:

The landowner of the 300 acre parcel(s) just downstream of the Madalena diversion is in the process of subdividing and is working with the District to realign (3 sections) and pipe (1 section) of the this ditch as it travels down the ravine (ditch). As part of this process, the landowner will be clearing the trees, brush and blackberries through the property.

Meetings:

Past:

- 03-25-11 I attended the ACWA Board meeting in Sacramento.
- 03-28-11 through 04-04-11 Vacation.
- 03-30-11 The GIS/Planner attended a GIS conference in Fresno.
- 04-06-11 I attended the NCWA Sustainability meeting at YCWA.
- 04-06-11 The GIS/Planner attended the FERC required Face-to-Face meeting in Wheatland.
- 04-06-11 I participated in the ACWA Region 2 Legislative Sub-Committee conference call.
- 04-07-11 The Operations Manager and I met with landowners along the Palomine ditch to discuss the ditch easement.
- 04-12-11 The Operations Manager and I met with Monte Johnson (**Genesis Engineering, Inc.**) and the landowner along the BV Main ditch concerning realignment and pipelining.
- 04-12-11 I attended the Yuba River Accord Buyers meeting in Sacramento.
- 04-13-11 The Pipeline Committee met to discuss the Dry Creek Recapture Project.

Future meetings:

- 04-15-11 Meeting with Mike Filice (Hallwood IC) to locate the four D-10 wells to receive data loggers.
- 04-20-11 Spring Valley Project Committee meeting.
- 04-26-11 YCWA Groundwater Workshop at YCWA.
- 05-11-11 through 05-13-11 ACWA Conference in Sacramento

Projects:

Past:

1. Finished the last concrete pour in the new shop.
2. One of the Cat 307 hydraulic cylinders was replaced. It was the cylinder that operates the stick which holds the bucket. The old cylinder had come apart internally and contaminated the hydraulic system.
3. Changed oil and filters in trucks 2, 4, 7, 9, 11, and 12.
4. Rebuilt the brakes on the small black equipment trailer.
5. Sprayed the Dexter, Finch, Heintzen, Lambert, Mahle, Thousand Trails, Sicard from Scott Forbes to head, a small section of the Browns Valley Main ditches and the District yard.
6. Completed the trash rack replacement at the head of the Browns Valley Main siphon.
7. Completed the trash rack replacement at Loma Rica road on the Pumpline Canal.
8. Repaired the 8' weir at the head of the tunnel at the Virginia Ranch Dam powerhouse.
9. Rebuilt a tail wall at the Harter siphon on the Pumpline Canal and rebuilt the board slots at the head of the siphon.
10. Rebuilt a pipe crossing on the Sicard ditch near the old Yuba powerhouse site.
11. Piped a leaky section of the Sicard ditch upstream of the tunnel south of the U.C. Field Station.
12. Trenched and repacked a leaking section of the Browns Valley Main ditch at Choctaw Trail.
13. Repaired the Palmer ditch bank in three areas.
14. Finished the Spring Glenn pipeline upgrade.
15. Started water season.

Future:

1. Continue Spray Program weather permitting.
2. Clean the fish screen channel at the Yuba River.

5. Pipeline Committee Report: No action taken.

6. Letter Agreement Extension: Director Winchester, seconded by Director Lowe, moved to approve the Letter Agreement Extension with PG&E for the Virginia Ranch Dam Powerhouse. All ayes, motion passed.

7. Consider and Accounting Firm: No action taken.

8. Director's Comments and Reports: None.

9. Correspondence:

- Letter from Dennis Hinz, CPA.
- Letter from representative from ACWA and other associations to Chairman Phil Isenberg regarding Delta Plan-2nd Draft.
- Semi Annual Report from Collins Lake.

10. Closed Session: Director Woods announced that the meeting would go into Closed Session to discuss public employee performance evaluation involving the Office Manager. Any action taken would be reported in Open Session.

11. Open Session: No action taken.

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