

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OF THE  
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
MAY 23, 2019**

At 5:00pm President Wheeler called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Browns Valley Irrigation District to order. Directors present were Bordsen, Lowe, Wheeler and Woods. Director Maslan was absent. Also in attendance were Manager McNally and Operations Manager Shrader. Clerk Springsteen was absent.

**1. Minutes:** The Minutes of the May 9, 2019 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Woods. Directors Bordsen, Lowe, Wheeler and Woods ayes, motion passed. Director Maslan was absent.

**2. Public Forum:** None

**3. The Board will consider enacting Resolution 05-23-19-01 adopting the 2018 update to the Yuba County Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP).** Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Lowe moved to approve the Resolution 05-23-19-01. President Wheeler then polled the Board:

AYES: Directors Bordsen, Lowe, Wheeler and Woods  
 NOES: none  
 ABSTAIN: none  
 ABSENT: Maslan  
 Resolution 05-23-19-01 Passed

**4. Manager's Report:**

**COLLINS LAKE STATUS**

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
<b>TODAY</b>	<b>49,460 AF</b>	<b>99.9%</b>	<b>1,182.9 FT</b>	<b>0.1 FT</b>	43.1 CFS	<b>167 KW</b>
1 YEAR AGO	47,800 AF	96.6%	1,180.8 FT	2.2 FT	77.6 CFS	572 KW

**STAFF ACTIVITIES**

On May 20, 2019, an Ad Hoc committee met with Mr. Charlie Mathews to discuss his proposal to convey water from the Cordua Canal to the Pumpline Canal. After identifying several problems associated with the idea, the Committee decided they would not recommend approval to the full Board. The Manager asked Mr. Mathews if he still wished to pursue this with the Board and he declined.

It has been several years since the District has explored the installation of solar panels to offset the electrical expense, so the Manager has begun reaching out to see about getting updated quotes.

At the April 25, 2019 Board Meeting, staff had committed to Mr. David Pietz that the District would hire a water douser to see if we could locate the origin of water that appears on his property. Staff is waiting for the weather to dry out so as to avoid dousing when everything is wet. The cost to the District will be about \$1,500.

## **CURRENT PROJECTS**

### **Conserved Water Transfer**

The Manager has been in close contact with Dudley Ridge and it appears an approval from DWR is forthcoming. Mr. Horowitz has begun drafting the Agreement between BVID and Dudley Ridge for \$190 per acre foot.

### **SB 88**

MBK is researching measuring devices that would be cost effective for use on the Upper Main Pipeline for SB 88 compliance.

### **Sicard Pipeline Project**

The Manager met with Terri Daly and was told that YWA had received the request and they were processing it to go to the next POD Committee meeting in a couple weeks.

### **Yuba River**

Staff conducted an emergency cleaning of the Fish Screen on May 10, 2019.

## **PAST MEETINGS**

- 05/14/19 Staff met with Robin Flint for our annual JPIA inspection and meeting.
- 05/15/19 The Manager met with Caltrans to discuss the Highway 20 realignment project.
- 05/15/19 The Manager attended an IRWMP meeting in Marysville.
- 05/16/19 The Manager met with Charlie Mathews to discuss his proposed conveyance from the Cordua Canal.
- 05/20/19 Directors Bordsen and Lowe (Ad Hoc Committee), as well as the Manager and Operations Manager met with Charlie Mathews to discuss his proposed conveyance from the Cordua Canal.
- 05/20/19 The Manager met with YWA and the Accord Executive Committee to discuss the Yuba River Endowment program.
- 05/21/19 – 05/22/19 The District's independent auditor (Blomberg and Griffin) was conducting his annual audit for 2018.
- 05/23/19 The Manager met with the Member Units to discuss the Yuba River Endowment program.
- 05/23/19 The Manager met with Terri Daly to discuss the status of the two grants submitted to YWA.

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- 05/29/19 The Manager is meeting with a core group to discuss YWA's proposed Water Education Center at Yuba College.

06/03/19 DSOD is scheduled to conduct their annual Dam Safety Inspection.

## **DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS**

### **Upper District**

Operations staff repaired two mainline breaks on the northern spur of the Hill Road Pipeline. Major repairs were also completed on the Able line and the McDrip Pipeline. Staff continues to respond to service calls, damaged lines, and change orders as needed.

Outlet flows from Collins Lake were reduced due to rain and lower demand. Weather has been an obstacle in getting some repairs completed and new services installed.

Shutoffs for nonpayment started this past week, the crew has been doing lock outs between major repairs.

### **Lower District**

The District rented a long reach excavator to clean the gravel away from the Yuba River Fish Screens. Operations crew was able to completely expose the concrete pad in front of the screens allowing for the brushes to operate. While the permitting was in place, we took the opportunity to clean out the head of the channel as well. It was discovered several days later that some new gravel had been washed down from upstream impacting the brush operation. Due to low demand on the Canal, we are getting by with manually cleaning for now.

### **Upcoming tasks**

Mow the Pumpline Canal with skid-steer, remove gravel buildup away from fish screens, and complete service installs.

Mow and weed eat district waterways and fixtures as necessary.

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

**6. Correspondence:** None

**7. Adjournment:** 5:22 PM