MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT MAY 26, 2016

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

<u>1. Minutes:</u> The Minutes of the May 12, 2016 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Wheeler. Directors Wheeler, Winchester, and Bordsen ayes. Director Woods and Lowe absent, motion passed.

Director Lowe arrived 5:05pm

- **2. Public Forum:** Charlie Mathews and Bill Simmons presented the proposed Groundwater Fairness Act.
- 3. Finance Committee Report: Concerning the upcoming rate study. Director Winchester, seconded by Director Bordsen moved to authorize the Prop 218 Rate Study and Salary Survey. Directors Wheeler, Winchester, Bordsen and Lowe ayes. Director Woods absent, motion passed.
- **4.** The Board will discuss the Tennessee Ditch Hydroelectric Project and take action as appropriate. A motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Winchester moved to accept the proposal from NLine Energy, Inc. Directors Wheeler, Winchester, Bordsen and Lowe ayes. Director Woods absent, motion passed.

5. Manager's Report:

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME %		LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	45,900 AF	92.7%	1,179.0 FT	3.0 FT	61.7 CFS	398 KW
1 YEAR AGO	23,980 AF	48.4%	1,153.1 FT	29.9 FT	64.2 CFS	310 KW

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Staff attended the Cordua Board of Directors meeting on May 17, 2016.

On May 17, 2016, staff met with FERC inspector Sharon Roach for BVID's annual inspection. The inspection went very well with the only recommendations at this time to be the installation of bait stations on the dam to address a small rodent problem as well as the installation of a cable fence around the mouth of the spillway to prevent bystanders

from approaching. Staff is also working on updating required security documents as necessary per FERC requirements.

On May 18, 2016, JPIA facilitated an infrared electrical inspection at the powerhouse which confirmed that all systems are within normal ranges.

YCWA needs to replace a faulty flow meter at the head of the Pumpline Canal and has requested BVID to dewater the canal for a few hours on June 9, 2016. Staff has confirmed this will cause minimal impact and has agreed to assist.

The vegetation removal project continues along the Pumpline Canal with the section between Road 276 and Iowa City nearly complete.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Annexation

As per Legal Counsel, another round of consent letters are being sent to those parcel owners who have refused or were otherwise unresponsive during the previous round. Consent is needed for all parcels to be annexed.

Conserved Water Transfer

The Manager is working with YCWA for a long-term solution to create more certainty of BVID's Conserved Water Transfer through years when the transfer is not feasible. This concept would include a credit system between BVID and YCWA where the 3,100 AF would be used by YCWA in years that the CWT does not occur, with a credit from storage applied to BVID to be used in the years it becomes possible to transfer. YCWA explored the possibility of backing water into Oroville for storage on BVID's behalf and DWR declined due to not wanting to set a precedent.

East Side Collins Lake Agreement

Staff is set to record the first phase of the Agreement which includes the Johnson, Norris, Heinzen and Durham families. This phase consists of the signatures staff has obtained to date and will be filed accordingly to allow the parcel owners to benefit from the easement.

Sicard Ditch

Marcus Bole and Associates has determined that the Sicard Ditch project will likely not require any permits (wetland or otherwise).

PAST MEETINGS

05/13/16	MBK to meet with District staff to discuss the AWMP progress and for a District tour.
05/17/16	The Manager attended the Cordua Board of Directors meeting in Marysville.
05/17/16	The Manager and Operations Manager facilitated the annual FERC Dam Inspection.
05/18/16	The Manager and Operations Manager facilitated the JPIA infrared electrical inspection at
	dam.

05/25/16 The Manager met with Curt Aikens to discuss the Power Enhancement Agreement.

05/26/16 The Manager and Operations Manager met at the Stevens Ranch to develop a solution to a leaky ditch.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

06/21/16 ACWA Region 2 and 4 Event at Sacramento Suburban Water District.

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

RECENT PROJECTS

- 1. Completed a repair to the Redhill East pipeline in two locations, Peoria pipeline, and the Hill Road pipeline.
- 2. Flushed the wharf valves.
- 3. Installed a new service on the Peoria pipeline.
- 4. Removed a blockage from a large culvert on the Harding Canal.
- 5. Completed a leak repair on the Arnold ditch.
- 6. Removed the buoys from Collins Lake.
- 7. Repaired a ditch service on the B.V. Main ditch at the Hoxworth Ranch.
- 8. Met with a F.E.R.C. engineer on 5/17/16 at Virginia Ranch dam for the yearly inspection.
- 9. Completed grounds maintenance around the powerhouse, toe drains, and Upper Main pump area.
- 10. Met with a J.P.I.A. subcontractor and had all of the power connections in the powerhouse infrared tested on 5/18/16.

FUTURE

1. Install a new service on the McDrip pipeline.

PROJECTS

2. Continue to monitor water flows and conserve where we are able.

6. Director's Comments and Reports: None

7. Correspondence:

- Letter dated May 16, 2016 from BKS to Ms. Angil Morris-Jones regarding Ordinance for the Redistribution of Revenue from the sale of local Water.
- Letter dated May 17, 2016 from YCWA to Mr. Charlie Mathews regarding Ordinance for the Redistribution of Revenue from the sale of local Water.

8.Closed Session: Conference with real property negotiator involving BVID's Pre-1914 appropriative water rights; Ryan McNally, District negotiator(s), will negotiate with Yuba County Water Agency for a lease of BVID's pre-1914 water right for power generation purposes. Instructions to the negotiator(s) may include price, terms of payment, or both.

<u>9. Open Session:</u> The Board will report any action taken in closed session. Discussion only, no action taken.

10. Adjournment: