

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OF THE  
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
MAY 27, 2010**

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

**1. Minutes:** The Minutes of the May 13, 2010 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Winchester. All ayes, motion passed.

**2. Public Forum:** None.

**3. Manager's Report:**

**Collins Lake:**

Current elevation is 1,182.0 ft, which is 1.0 ft below spill. This amounts to 99.2% of storage with 49,100 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is running at 335 Kw with releases of 55.4cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,170.3 ft, which is 12.7 ft below spill (76.4% or 37,840 Acre Feet). The Generator was running at 575 Kw with releases of 82.1 cfs.

**Staff Activities:**

The Operations Manager remains off due to a work related injury on April 19, 2010. He is recovering and is expected to return to duty in the next few weeks.

**Water Transfers:**

Last week the State allocations increased from 40% to 45%. While at first glance this appears to reduce the pumping capacity for water transfers, Judge Wanger's decision this week to relax Delta pumping restrictions has created enough additional capacity (according to DWR) to still move this year's transfer water.

Santa Clara Valley WD has made the initial payment for this year's Yuba River Conserved Water Transfer and with the anticipated capacity at the State pumps, expects to complete the movement of the water.

**Northern California Water Association (NCWA):**

Last week Donn Zea announced to the NCWA Board that he will be resigning as the Executive Director effective June 30th. For the interim, David Guy, former NCWA Executive Director, has agreed to fill in until a new Executive Director can be hired.

**Meetings:**

**Past:**

- 05-14-10 I participated in the NCWA Communications Committee conference call.
- 05-14-10 I met with Tim Busch (Mead & Hunt) to tour the Dry Creek Recapture Project route.
- 05-17-10 I attended the NCWA Sacramento Valley Water Management Agreement meeting in Sacramento.
- 05-18-10 I met with Andrew Coolidge (PR) to discuss the next District newsletter.
- 05-18-10 I met with Tom Satchell (Loma Rica Water Company) to discuss an old pipeline issue.
- 05-19-10 Director Winchester attended the NCWA Board meeting in Marysville.
- 05-19-10 I met with Kelly Barker (Department of Fish & Game) to tour the Yuba River diversion bypass channel for the Stream Alteration Permit renewal.
- 05-20-10 I met with Curt Aikens & Scott Matyac (YCWA) and Mike Filice (Hallwood) to discuss ground water substitution transfer issues.
- 05-21-10 I attended the NCWA Richard Roos/Collins (Delta Stewardship Council) meeting in Sacramento.
- 05-24-10 I met with Diane Watts (Auditor) to discuss District financial operations.
- 05-27-10 Director Winchester and I attended the Accord Member Unit meeting at YCWA.

**Future Meetings:**

- 06-01-10 Accord Sellers/Buyers negotiation meeting in Sacramento.
- 06-02-10 ACWA Region 2 Legislative Sub-Committee conference call.
- 06-04-10 Accord Member Unit meeting at YCWA.
- 06-08-10 PG&E/YCWA Power Purchase Agreement negotiation meeting in Marysville.

**Projects:**

**Past:**

1. Replaced the water pump on the KX-61 excavator.
2. Repaired an air leak in the back of the instrument cluster on the dump truck.
3. Repaired a leak on the Mahle ditch.
4. Cleaned portions of the Upper Ellis, Thousand Trails below the head of the McDrip pipeline.
5. Repaired a pipeline breaks on the; Fig Tree. Sandy Way, Hill Road pipelines.
6. Rebuilt the supports on two flumes along the Thousand Trails ditch.
7. Installed a new service on the Peoria pipeline.
8. Rebuilt a service on the Mahle ditch.
9. Rebuilt a service on the Upper Main pipeline.

10. Installed a pressure reducer on the Bald Mountain pipeline.

**Future:**

1. Spray the District yard weather permitting.
2. Finish the concrete work in the new barn.
3. Fabricate the headworks for the Ellis pipeline.

**4. Dry Creek Recapture Project:** Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Lowe, moved to approve the Mead & Hunt proposal for the Dry Creek Recapture Project. Ayes: Directors Bordsen, Lowe, Wheeler & Woods. Noes: Director Winchester. Motion passed.

**5. Yuba County General Plan Update:** No action.

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

**9. Correspondence:**

- Letter from Loma Rica Water Company regarding a previously installed pipeline.
- Letter from NCWA regarding Donn Zea's resignation.
- Memo from Attorney Bartkiewicz (confidential).

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