

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
JUNE 26, 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 Wheeler. Director Woods was absent. Also in attendance were Manager Cotter, Assistant Manager McNally and Clerk Springsteen.

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the June 12, 2014 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Winchester, seconded by Director Wheeler. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum:

- Ernest Mena at 6206 Marcia Lane discussed Marcia pumping issues and possible solutions.
- A BVID customer on Virginia Rd Loma Rica discussed a leak and the possibility of when it can be repaired.

3. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

The current elevation is 1,156.0 ft, which is 27 ft below spill. This amounts to 52.7% of storage with 26,100 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Lake continues to drop about 0.2 feet per day. The Generator is now running at 495 Kw with releases of 86.36 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,169.7 ft, which is 13.7 ft below spill (75.4% or 37,330 Acre Feet). The Generator was running at 630 Kw with releases of 92.3 cfs.

Staff Activities:

Two (2) vacancies for Utility Worker I/II (one permanent and one temporary) were posted on the BVID website, with an announcement pointing to such on the BVID Facebook page. To date we have received 22 applications since posting which gives us 39 including the applications previously on file.

One (1) vacancy for Distribution System Operator was posted internally and management has received two internal applicants, scheduled to be interviewed on Friday June 27, 2014.

An employee was terminated on Monday June 23, 2014. This action has subsequently required the recruitment of an additional Utility Worker I/II to be selected from the applicant pool.

State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB):

The District received correspondence from legal counsel advising of impending regulation which would allow the SWRCB to curtail pre-1914 water rights. It is still

unclear whether they will exercise that ability and if so, whether it would be watershed specific or a "blanket" curtailment order. Staff had subsequent dialogue with YCWA and was assured that despite any curtailment, they would backstop BVID's supply with storage from Bullards Bar.

Dry Creek Recapture Project:

No action since the last Board meeting.

Tennessee Ditch Hydro Electric Project:

The Hydro Committee received a staff report concerning the viability of this project.

Accord Groundwater Substitution Transfer:

Covered under Agenda Item 4.

Meetings:

Past:

- 06-18-14 The Assistant Manager attended the Bay-Delta Tour hosted by the Water Education Foundation though 06-20-14. His summary of the tour is included in the correspondence section of your Board packet.
- 06-19-14 The Manager participated in the ACWA Regions II and IV conference call concerning a Fall Joint Regional Event.
- 06-20-14 The Manager used a vacation day.
- 07-10-14 Directors Bordsen and Lowe and the Manager and Assistant Manager met with committees from both the Hallwood Irrigation Company (HIC) and the Ramirez Irrigation District (RID) in Hallwood.
- 06-24-14 The Assistant Manager attended the Sutter County Solar Project groundbreaking ceremony hosted by Chevron.
- 06-25-14 The Manager and Assistant Manager attended an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan meeting at YCWA.
- 06-26-14 Director Winchester and the Manager and attended the Accord Member Units meeting at YCWA.
- 06-26-14 The Assistant Manager met with Valley Communications to explore the possibility of installing security cameras at the Dam using Homeland Security funds through Yuba County OES.

Future Meetings:

- 06-27-14 Interviews for the Distribution System Operator.
- 07-08-14 NCWA Dry Year Task Force meeting.
- 06-23-14 BVID Finance Committee meeting.

Projects:

Past:

1. Cleaned a section of the Sicard ditch north of Scott Forbes road.
2. Worked to plug leaks on the Sicard ditch.
3. Repaired a break on the Peoria, Redhill East, and the Greer pipelines.

4. Repacked a section of the Ellis ditch bank.
5. Repaired a chain and shear pin problem on the fish screen.
6. Rebuilt a driveway on Stonehedge Dr. due to a pipeline break washing it out.
7. Dressed up a section of the Pumpline canal by the new keyway at Elizabeth Wood's property.
8. Adjusted the low pressure switch on the incoming water line on the Marcia pump.

Future Projects:

1. Spray ditches weather permitting.
2. Repairs on the Abel pipeline.

4. Accord Groundwater Substitution Transfer: Discussion only, no action taken.

5. Concerning the current drought conditions. No action taken.

6. Director's Comments and Reports: Director Winchester asked the status of the Dry Creek Recapture Project.

7. Correspondence:

- Memo dated June 23, 2014 from Asst Manager McNally to the Board regarding 2014 Bay Delta Tour

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