

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
JULY 9, 2009**

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

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the June 25, 2009 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Woods. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None.

3. LAFCO Update: Presentation by John Benoit, no action taken.

4. Finance Committee Report: Director Wheeler reported that she had reviewed the June financial reports and found everything to be in order. Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Bordsen, moved to approve the financial reports for the month of June. All ayes, motion passed.

5. Collins Lake Drought Update: No action taken.

6. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

Current elevation is 1,162.0 ft, which is 21.0 ft below spill. This amounts to 62% of storage with 30,700 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is running at 580 Kw with releases of 91.6 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,147.4 ft, which is 35.6 ft below spill (40.5% or 20,000 Acre Feet). The Generator was running at 420 Kw with releases of 83.5 cfs.

Staff Activities:

Thomas Wooten, a temporary employee, has been elevated to a probationary employee to fill the newly created utility worker position.

Carey Powell and Tony Ward attended a sexual harassment class at JPIA in Sacramento.

Conserved Water Transfer:

The 30-day public comment period for the CEQA Negative Declaration for the Conserved Water Transfer to Santa Clara VWD ends tomorrow afternoon at 3:00. We have received no comments so far but will not be out of the woods until the last minute of the last hour.

Long Term Conserved Water Transfer EIR:

As part of this EIR process a Notice of Preparation will be sent to several State agencies (DWR, DFG, SWRCB, etc) as well as those folks that have requested copies of our CEQA documents. This will trigger a 30 day comment period to receive scope-of-work concerns. We will also have a “Scoping Meeting” on July 30th in Sacramento to allow the public to comment on the scope-of-work concerns. The mailing to announce the Scoping Meeting will be sent to ALL of the counties and cities in the project area, which includes most of California south of Browns Valley.

Peoria Pipeline:

Phase 2 of this project is moving along and we have installed 1,380’ of 18” pipe since the last Board meeting. We have now installed 2,560’ of the 7,120’ for this phase.

Meetings:

Past:

- 06-30-09 I met with Ed Craddock (Resource Conservation District) to tour the District and to discuss future District improvements.
- 07-01-09 I attended the YCWA Accord Member Unit meeting in Marysville.
- 07-01-09 I attended the LAFCO/Rameriz WD meeting in Marysville.
- 07-06-09 I met with Michael Hinz (Accountant) to review the draft 2008 District Audit.
- 07-07-09 I attended the Conserved Water EIR meeting in Sacramento.
- 07-08-09 I met with Ron Alexander (Ray Morgan) concerning computer backup issues.
- 07-08-09 I attended the Accord/Buyer negotiation strategy meeting in Marysville.
- 07-08-09 I attended the YCWA Accord Member Unit meeting in Marysville.
- 07-09-09 I attended the IRWMP, Regional Acceptance Process interview with DWR in Sacramento.

- 07-09-09 I attended the NCWA Managers meeting in Marysville.
- 07-09-09 The Finance Committee (Directors Wheeler) met to review the June bills.

Future Meetings:

- 07-10-09 thru 07-17-09 I will be on vacation.
- 07-21-09 Meeting with Katie Burdick (CABY) to discuss the IRWMP boundary overlap.
- 07-22-09 Accord/Buyer negotiation meeting in Sacramento.

07-22-09 ACWA Region 2 Legislative subcommittee conference call.

Projects:

Past:

1. Mechanically cleaned the Dexter ditch and a section of the Ellis ditch.
2. Completed the Shutoff List as provided by Carey.
3. Sprayed the Browns Valley Main ditch.
4. Repaired the brushes on the Fish Screen.
5. Repaired a broken hydraulic line on the KX121 excavator.
6. Repaired a broken service valve at the Peoria Cemetery.
7. While auditing, six services and one air vent were rebuilt.

Future:

1. Change out the gasoline tank to comply with air quality regulations.
2. Continue the Peoria Pipeline Phase 2.
3. Continue weed abatement.
4. Continue audits.

7. Correspondence:

- o Memo from Carey regarding a delinquent account.

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