

**MINUTES OF THE
BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
JULY 10, 2008**

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

Minutes: The Minutes of the June 26, 2008 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Wheeler, all ayes, motion passed.

Public Forum: District member Dave Pietz of 7133 Lily Way addressed the Board regarding questions about the 2008 Budget and related expenditures, water sales and potential rate increases. Discussion only, no action taken.

Finance Committee Report: Director Wheeler and Director Winchester reported that they had reviewed the June Financial records and found everything to be in order. Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Woods, moved to approve the June financial records. All ayes, motion passed.

Collins Lake Drought Update: Discussion only, no action taken. Comments were heard from the Public including: Dave Pietz (7133 Lily Way), Patty Montgomery, Troy Adams (5651 Marysville Road), Donna Boynton (11303 Curry Trail), Dave Stipp (11548 Arechar Court), Claudie & Alta Taylor (5821 Melrose Lane), G. Forsythe (White Oak Lane), Eldene Paschal (11481 Mourning Dove), Chester Pridgeon (13512 Los Verjeles).

Discussion/Consideration for Refunds to Water Users: After discussion and comments made by Public (Dave Pietz of 7133 Lily Way), no action was taken; District Rules & Regulations do not allow for refunds for water shortages or drought.

Winter Water Workshop: Item sent to ad hoc committee for research. President Winchester appointed Director Bordsen & Director Woods as the Winter Water Committee.

Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

Current elevation is 1,147.4 ft, which is 35.6 ft below spill. The Generator is running at 420 Kw with releases of 84 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,159 ft, which is 24 ft below spill. The Generator was running at 770 Kw with releases of 118 cfs.

Cal Fire and Water Fills (Wharf Valves):

Cal Fire has requested a map of those Water Fills (Wharf Valves) that will remain functional during the weekly outages. We have determined that there are 28 water fills (including 10 that are part of Loma Rica Water Company) that will still have water available each week. A map of those locations has been provided to Cal Fire.

Excavator Purchase:

We have received 2 quotes for a new excavator to replace and upgrade the Cat 211 excavator. The low bid is for a John Deere 160D LC at a price just under \$150,000.

Meetings:

Past:

- 06-27-08 through 07-03-08 Vacation.
- 07-08-08 Director Winchester attended the ACWA Groundwater Committee meeting in Sacramento.
- 07-08-08 I met with Layne Christensen (Dick Eberlein) to view the District's pumps and to discuss the pumping needs for the Dry Creek Recapture project.
- 07-10-08 The Finance Committee (Directors Winchester and Wheeler) met to review the June bills.

Future

- 07-16-08 Accord Management Committee meeting in Marysville.
- 07-16-08 ACWA Energy Committee meeting in Sacramento.

Projects:

Past:

1. Repaired the hydraulic pump drive coupling on the KX-61 excavator.
2. Installed a measuring weir in the dam above the Sid Smith dam/diversion on Dry Creek.
3. Sprayed a section of the Pumpline canal.
4. Mechanically cleaned the Arnold ditch and a section of the Lambert ditch.
5. Set up the gauging station on Dry Creek.
6. Replaced the failed flow meter at the District well.
7. Replaced the trailer hitch and packed the bearings on the pipe trailer.
8. Repaired a break on the Rancho Loma Rica and Redhill West pipelines.
9. Rebuilt three fire damaged services in the Peoria Ridge subdivision and two broken services on the Hill Road pipeline.
10. Locked and audited several services throughout the District.
11. Salvaged the last 100 feet of pipe from the Old Upper Main ditch.

Future:

1. Continue spot spraying the right of ways heat and wind permitting.
2. Police the District for over users and chase water up ravines.
3. Rebuild the brush mechanism on the fish screens.

Correspondence: None.

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