

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
JULY 10, 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 Lowe, Woods and Wheeler. Director Winchester was absent. Also in attendance were Manager Cotter, Assistant Manager McNally and Clerk Springsteen.

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the June 26, 2014 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Lowe. Director Winchester was absent, Directors Lowe, Bordsen, Woods, and Wheeler all ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: John Drew / Saddleback has concerns about water shortage that could be corrected by increasing the Pumpline capacity and additional water storage in the future.

3. Finance Committee Report: Director Wheeler reported that the Committee had reviewed the financial records for the month of June and found everything to be in order. Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Woods, moved to approve the financial reports for the month of June. Director Winchester was absent, Directors Lowe, Bordsen, Woods, and Wheeler all ayes, motion passed.

4. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

The current elevation is 1,152.3 ft, which is 30.7 ft below spill. This amounts to 47% of storage with 23,270 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is now running at 500 Kw with releases of 94.5 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,166.6 ft, which is 16.4 ft below spill (70% or 34,640 Acre Feet). The Generator was running at 655 Kw with releases of 99.5 cfs.

Staff Activities:

We have filled one of the two (2) vacancies for Utility Worker I/II (permanent positions) and, after interviewing several very good applicants, have an excellent candidate that we want to offer to start at Utility Worker II, step one. We also have a great temporary employee candidate and need to locate one more to fill out the construction crew.

The one (1) vacancy for Distribution System Operator position was filled after two good internal interviews.

State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB):

After two days of hearings before an overflow crowd of water rights holders, the SWRCB on July 1st adopted emergency regulations that apply to post-1914 water rights. The original proposed regulation by the SWRCB staff also included pre-1914

and riparian water rights, which NCWA opposed. The Board removed pre-1914 and riparian water rights from the regulation. All good news...for now.

Dry Creek Recapture Project:

The SWRCB appears to be closing in on completion of the permitting needed to move this project forward. They have reached out to the Cal Fish & Wildlife to coordinate their respective permits.

The easement process is moving forward for all three landowners. The County has commented on their draft agreement (we are making edits as needed), the Karlshoei's are reviewing a term sheet and I have contacted the Cofflin point person to schedule a meeting.

The Agreement with the County is nearly complete. One issue of concern is the County's benefit from the easement and how that is worked into the Agreement.

Tennessee Ditch Hydro Electric Project:

The Hydro Committee needs to meet to discuss the staff report concerning the viability of this project.

Accord Groundwater Substitution Transfer:

Covered under Agenda Item 6.

Meetings:

Past:

- 06-27-14 The Lead Man, Operations Manager, Assistant Manager and I conducted interviews for the new Distribution System Operator position.
- 06-30-14 I participated in the ACWA Region 2 & 4 Conference call.
- 07-03-14 The Staff and Crew had a retirement luncheon for the retired upper District Distribution System Operator.
- 07-10-14 The Assistant Manager and I met with Elden Fowler (Territorial Dispatch) concerning water transfers.
- 07-10-14 The Finance Committee (Directors Bordsen and (alternate) Wheeler) met to review the June paid bills and statements.

Future Meetings:

- 07-14-14 YCWA north basin ad hoc committee meeting at YCWA.
- 07-18-14 ACWA Region 2 Board meeting at Bella Vista W. D. in Redding.
- 07-21-14 NCWA Water Management Task Force meeting.
- 07-22-14 YCWA Board meeting in Marysville.

Projects:

Past:

1. Cleaned a section of the Sicard ditch north of Scott Forbes road.
2. Repaired a break on the Duckel's, Mahle, and the Redhill East pipelines.
3. Cleaned up the debris piles at the paddlewheels.

4. Flushed several wharf valves and blowouts in an ongoing process to eliminate build up in the pipelines.
5. Kevin Shrader began the training process as the District's new Distribution System Operator (DSO).
6. Trenched above Dave Pietz property to locate a possible ditch leak. Leaks were found and the problem will be resolved this winter as it will be necessary to pipe a section of the ditch.
7. Exposed our pipe in three locations at the Club Cazadero Ranch so their contractor will not hit it.
8. Completed oil, filter, and air filter changes on trucks #5 and #6.
9. Located and corrected a loss of water on the Upper Main pipeline.
10. Changed the oil and replaced the battery in the Saddleback diesel lift pump.

Future Projects:

1. Repairs on the Abel pipeline.
2. New service on Redhill East.

5. The Board will consider the Agreement for Temporary Storage of Transfer Water Between Yuba County Water Agency and Browns Valley Irrigation District.

Director Lowe, seconded by Director Woods moved to approve the Agreement for Temporary Storage of Transfer Water. Director Winchester was absent, Directors Lowe, Bordsen, Woods, and Wheeler all ayes, motion passed.

6. Accord Groundwater Substitution Transfer: Concerning pumping allocations for **2014**. After discussion the consensus was that BVID should offer, from BVID's 2014 Accord Ground Water Substitution allocation to Cordua Irrigation District, the amount of water that BVID over pumped in zone 1 in 2013 (163 AF) for Cordua to pump as part of its 2014 Ground Water Substitution Transfer.

7. Concerning the current drought conditions. Discussion only, no action taken.

8. Director's Comments and Reports: None

9. Correspondence: None

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