

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
JULY 11, 2013**

At 5:00 pm President Lowe called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Browns Valley Irrigation District to order. Directors present were Wheeler, Bordsen and Woods. Director Winchester and Clerk Springsteen were absent. Also in attendance was Manager Cotter.

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the June 27, 2013 Regular Board Meeting were approved by a motion by Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Woods. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None.

3. The Board will consider a **Resolution to Name the Pumphouse for the Redhill East pipeline**. Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Woods, moved to approve Resolution 7-11-13-1 naming the Robert G. Taylor Hydro Pump House. President Lowe then polled the Board:

AYES: Directors Bordsen, Wheeler, Woods and Lowe

NOES: none

ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: Winchester

Resolution 7-11-13-1 passed.

4. 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 Bordsen, moved to approve the financial reports for the month of June. All ayes, motion passed.

5. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

The current elevation is 1,166.3 ft, which is 16.7 ft below spill. This amounts to 69.4% of storage with 34,370 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is running at 655 Kw with releases of 99.5 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,169.9 ft, which is 13.1 ft below spill (74.3% or 36,790 Acre Feet). The Generator was running at 795 Kw with releases of 115.3 cfs.

Financial Activities:

The CD at Umpqua Bank (1.29%) will mature on 7-12-13 with a balance of \$121,650. I will be looking for a new CD in which to invest these funds.

Staff Activities:

One of our utility workers has given notice that he will be going to work for PG&E in less than two weeks. He will be greatly missed! This is the 4th time (in a row) that we have lost a utility worker to PG&E.

Cal ISO:

We are (at last) up and running with Cal ISO and have begun scheduling our power generation a week in advance.

Dry Creek Recapture Project:

The restoration contractor is working on our on-site mitigation plan located near the project and we are working to seek permission from the County for the proposed plan.

MBK has put together a draft petition for a new point to redirection, we have made edits and the document is headed to BKS for review.

We are working with the contact person for the Karshoej property for the needed easement and are finding a fair bit of resistance to locating the pipeline on their side of the property line.

Tennessee Ditch Hydro Electric Project:

We have prepared a FERC Declaration of Intention that will ask them what sort of license this project will require, based on the conditions provided. This could range from an in-conduit hydro exemption, a small (under 5 Mw) hydro exemption or ???

Yuba River Conserved Water Transfer:

The release schedule calls for the 2013 transfer release to begin on the 16th and finish up on July 31st. Once the delivery has been confirmed, we can invoice for the transfer to both Santa Clara VWD and Dudley Ridge WD.

ACWA's Executive Director:

Tim Quinn, ACWA's Executive Director is out for the next 6 weeks due to surgery to correct a medical issue. ACWA's senior staff will be covering in his absence.

Meetings:

Past:

- 07-3-13 The GIS/Planner and I met with Ron Erny (Karshoej) to walk the Dry Creek Recapture pipeline route along the Karshoej property.
- 07-9-13 The Hydro Committee (Directors Winchester and Bordsen) and I participated in a conference call with the Tennessee Ditch Hydro consultants concerning the upcoming YCWA POD Committee meeting.
- 07-11-13 The Finance Committee (Directors Wheeler & Winchester) met to review the June bills and statements.

Future Meetings:

- 07-12-13 NCWA Communications Committee conference call.
- 07-15-13 NCWA Water Management Task Force meeting in Woodland.
- 07-16-13 YCWA POD Committee meeting for the grant request for the Tennessee Ditch Hydro Project.
- 07-17-13 Accord Pumpers meeting at YCWA.
- 07-19-13 Retirement luncheon for Tom Dixon (YCWA) at Lake Francis.

Projects:

Past:

1. Completed the road crossing at the Cross Star Trail pipeline realignment. The County provided a 3 person flagger crew for traffic control.
2. Sprayed the Lambert ditch, Thousand Trails ditch, and spot sprayed the District yard.
3. Repaired a leak on the East Burris pipeline and two breaks on the Hill Road pipeline.
4. Installed a new service on the Hill road pipeline.
5. Completed the monthly starting of all equipment to insure reliability.

Future Projects:

1. Continue Spray Program weather permitting.
2. Continue the Cross Star Trail (McDrip pipeline) realignment project.

6. Personnel Committee Report: Concerning the draft job posting for the General Manager position. After discussion, the Board direction was to shorten the posting and post it with the Association of California Water Agencies on both their web site and the in the newsletter.

7. Director's Comments and Reports: None

8. Correspondence: None

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