

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
JULY 12, 2018**

At 5:00pm President Wheeler called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Browns Valley Irrigation District to order. Directors present were Bordsen, Lowe, Winchester and Woods. Also in attendance were Manager McNally, Clerk Springsteen, and Operation Managers Ward & Shrader.

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the June 28, 2018 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Woods. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: Harry Holland of Browns Valley thanked staff for their service and prompt response time.

3. Finance Committee Report: Concerning the Financial Report for June 2018. 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 Lowe moved to approve the financial reports for the month of June. All ayes, motion passed.

4. The Board will receive a presentation from the District’s independent audit firm Blomberg and Griffin and consider adopting the 2017 Browns Valley Irrigation District Independent Auditor’s Report. Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Lowe moved to adopt the 2017 Independent Audit as presented. All ayes, motion passed.

5. The Board will consider Amendment 7 to the Lower Yuba River Accord Agreement for the Conjunctive Use of Surface and Groundwater Supplies. Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Lowe moved to approve the Amendment 7 Agreement. All ayes, motion passed.

6. The Board will consider a resolution honoring the retirement after 28 years of service for Operations Manager Tony Ward. Director Lowe, seconded by Director Winchester moved to approve the Resolution 07-12-18-1. President Wheeler then polled the Board:

AYES: Directors Winchester, Wheeler, Woods, Lowe & Bordsen
 NOES: none
 ABSTAIN: none
 ABSENT: none
 Resolution 07-12-18-1 Passed

7. Manager’s Report:

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	40,100 AF	81.0%	1,172.8 FT	10.2 FT	92.4 CFS	620 KW
1 YEAR AGO	43,280 AF	87.4%	1,176.2 FT	6.8 FT	105.0 CFS	727 KW

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Staff is working with Mark Suden Mining Construction to start developing ideas to fortify and pipe the tunnel on the lower end of the Sicard Ditch. Staff is working to develop a grant request to complete this project as well as the major leaks at the upper end of the Sicard Ditch.

The draft MOU is complete for the filing of the amicus brief in the pending litigation in federal court (Friends of the River v. National Marine Fisheries Service) and includes all of the Member Units, except Cordua Irrigation District who had not committed at the time of the MOU, and is split based on percentage of Water Rights and Project Base Supply in the Yuba River (with the exception of the County of Yuba, who volunteered to participate at 10%). BVID's percentage is 8.7%, which should be around \$1,740 given the estimated total cost of \$20,000. This amount is likely to be reduced further as Cordua is expected to participate. This litigation could impact the various service agreements between the Member Units and YCWA.

The KX-61 excavator has become very difficult to maintain with an excess of 6,000 hours on it. Nevertheless, the Manager has directed staff to make necessary repairs to the hydraulic controls for approximately \$3,000 to keep it minimally operational. It is worth noting that the 2018 Budget includes replacing the KX-61 with a like unit, but for \$3,000 it is worth having two small excavators for construction and ditch cleaning.

FERC announced its 2-day Emergency Action Plan Exercise Design Course on September 19 and 20, 2018 in Portland, OR. This course provides instruction on how to correctly facilitate EAP exercises as required by FERC. The Manager intends to attend this course and estimates total travel costs not to exceed \$700. This course is important because BVID has been notified of its obligation to perform an EAP exercise per FERC no later than September 2019.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Accord / Groundwater Substitution Transfer

Groundwater Substitution pumping continues and several pumpers have pumped their allocation.

Annexation

LAFCO approved the Annexation on 07/11/2018. The next step is for LAFCO to begin a 30 day finalization process where any errors or omissions are identified and the recorded certification of adoption will be filed. LAFCO will also advise the District of any outstanding fees it owes to LAFCO and the final fees payable to the Board of Equalization. At the end of 30 days (or more if any issues are identified), the annexation will be forwarded to BOE. The BOE review process is expected to take 10 days if no issues are found on their end. There is some likelihood the annexation will be complete by September 2018.

Caltrans Highway 20 Realignment

Caltrans is close to finalizing the Agreement to reimburse BVID for design and specification costs for the Highway 20 improvement project.

Virginia Ranch Dam

On 07/07/2018, the Manager gave Syblon Reid a “notice to proceed” for video inspection of the spillway drains at the base of the spillway walls for an estimated \$17,070. Work will commence on 07/20/2018 and 07/23/2018.

Uma Hinman has confirmed the 2018 EAP Outreach Seminar will occur on October 17, 2018. This will include the required inundation map update as is being prepared by GEI.

PAST MEETINGS

- 07/09/18 The Manager attended a Water Supply Committee meeting at YCWA.
- 07/11/18 The Manager attended an Accord Member Unit meeting at YCWA.
- 07/11/18 The Manager attended a County Public Safety town hall meeting.
- 07/11/18 The Technical Services Manager attended a LAFCO meeting.
- 07/12/18 The Manager met with Lincoln Young to discuss the Collins Lake Lease Agreement.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 07/25/18 Meeting with WDWCA in Woodland (1:00 PM).

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

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| RECENT PROJECTS | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kevin Shrader started training for the position of Operations Manager. 2. Trenched and repacked two sections of the Sicard ditch to fix large leaks. 3. Installed new services in The Ridge subdivision and on Virginia Rd. Setup new service on the Rancho Loma Rica pipeline. 4. Repaired breaks on the Able pipeline, the Bald Mountain line, and the Too Handy pipeline. 5. Finished cleanup of debris left over from Olive Hill ditch maintenance. 6. Mallen’s Automotive replaced the air conditioner condenser on truck 10 due to damage. 7. Investigated water on roadway at the intersection of Loop and Fruitland rd. possibly subbing into old infrastructure, waiting on USA to clear for excavation. 8. Cleaned leaves and debris pile from Mahle pipeline screens. 9. Cleared vegetation from section of Sicard ditch and Mahle ditch. |
| FUTURE PROJECTS | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Spray right of ways weather permitting. 2. Install a new service in The Ridge subdivision. |

8. Director's Comments and Reports: None

9. Correspondence:

- Letter dated July 2, 2018 from OE3 to BVID regarding union fees (Janus v. AFSCME)

10. Closed Session: Conference with real property negotiator involving the Collins Lake Concessionaire Agreement; Director's Lowe and Woods (Concessionaire Committee) and Ryan McNally, District negotiator(s). Instructions to the negotiator(s) may include specific terms of the Agreement. Government Code sections 54954.2 and 54934.5.

11. Open Session: The Board will report any action taken in closed session. No action taken.

12. Adjournment: