

**MINUTES OF THE
BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
JULY 24, 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 and Clerk Powell.

Minutes: The Minutes of the July 10, 2008 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Wheeler, all ayes, motion passed.

Public Forum: None.

Collins Lake Drought Update: After discussion Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Woods, moved to issue an official statement that Winter Water (also known as stock water) will not be available until the lake refills appropriately. The Board will review the issue at every Regular Board Meeting to determine when and if they will be able to reinstate Winter Water deliveries. All ayes, motion passed.

Additionally, Ryan McNally of Yuba County Public Works addressed the Board regarding the Hammon Grove Park water service. Public Works requested that they be allowed to purchase 3 inches this year. The Board requested that they look at alternate watering patterns & equipment to get by on 1 miner's inch at this time. No action taken.

Closed Session: President Winchester announced that the meeting would go into Closed Session to have a conference call with legal counsel regarding existing litigation. Any action taken in Closed Session would be reported when the meeting reconvened into Open Session.

Open Session: President Winchester reconvened the meeting into Open Session and reported that no action was taken.

Hydro/Pipeline Committee Report: No action taken.

Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

Current elevation is 1,144.9 ft, which is 38.1 ft below spill. The Generator is running at 420 Kw with releases of 84 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,155 ft, which is 28 ft below spill. The Generator was running at 615 Kw with releases of 108 cfs.

LAFCO Municipal Service Review (MSR):

The final draft of the Yuba County MSR is being considered tonight at the LAFCO Commission meeting. This draft does include all of the changes that BVID requested and from our point of view, accurately describes this district.

State Water Bond:

The “Safe, Clean, Reliable, Drinking Water Supply Act of 2008” is in the final draft stages for inclusion on the November ballot. This \$9.3 Billion Bond includes \$103 Million for water use efficiency projects in the Sacramento River watershed. ACWA has been highly involved in the process to date and will be looking for a vote of support at the ACWA Board meeting on Friday.

Grant Application:

GEI Consultants (Naser Bateni and David Miller) have filed for a CALFED Grant application for the Dry Creek Recapture project to increase the funding for this project. The application process begins with a short (2 page) application, at a very small cost. This second grant, should we be successful, will reduce the cost share requirement for the District and will reflect the increased costs of the project since the first grant was awarded.

PG&E Request:

PG&E will be restringing the high tension lines from Colgate Powerhouse to the valley floor along with rebuilding the towers. They are looking for a site to use for a helicopter staging area to fly materials to the project. They are requesting the use of the area on the east side of and just below the Dam (the burn pile for the Campground). The use of this area will include truck and trailer loads of materials that will be brought in through the Campground and across the Dam.

Meetings:

Past:

- 07-15-08 I attended the ACWA Energy Committee meeting in Sacramento.
- 07-15-08 The Hydro/Pipeline Committee (Directors Winchester and Bordsen) met to discuss potential generation and the Peoria pipeline.
- 07-16-08 Director Winchester and I attended the Accord Management Committee meeting at YCWA.
- 07-16-08 I met with Feather River Air Quality Management District (Sondra Andersson) to inspect the BVID well electrification and the diesel engine destruction.
- 07-22-08 Director Winchester and I attended the YCWA Board meeting.
- 07-22-08 ACWA Region 2 meeting to discuss the Water Bond in Williams.
- 07-22-08 The Pipeline Committee (Directors Winchester and Bordsen) met with Saddleback Ranch to discuss a possible lift station. Also in attendance was Attorney Bartkiewicz.

Future

- 07-25-08 ACWA Board meeting in Sacramento as an alternate director.
- 08-12-08 Accord Management Committee meeting at YCWA.
- 08-13-08 ACWA Region 2 Board meeting in Redding.

Projects:

Past:

1. Sprayed a section of the Sicard Ditch.
2. Locked and audited several services throughout the District.
3. Changed the oil in three trucks and completed the maintenance on the rented pumps.
4. Cut trees from the head of the Sicard Ditch.
5. Repaired a leak on the Heintzen Ditch.
6. Replaced a broken blowout valve on the Hill Road pipeline.
7. Chased water and audited services.
8. Started a large shut off list from Carey.
9. Dealt with the on off water schedule.
10. Repaired a break on the Upper Main pipeline.

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. Finish rebuilding the brush mechanism on the fish screens.

Correspondence: Email from Jesus Viscarra regarding PG&E proposed staging area at Collins Lake.

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