

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
AUGUST 8, 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, Winchester and Woods. Also in attendance were Manager Cotter and Clerk Springsteen.

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the July 25, 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. Finance Committee Report:

- Director Wheeler reported that the Committee had reviewed the financial records for the month of July and found everything to be in order. Director Wheeler, seconded by President Lowe, moved to approve the financial reports for the month of July. All ayes, motion passed.
- Director Bordsen seconded by Director Winchester, moved to approve the 2013 Contingency Purchases with the change to Tennessee Ditch Hydro Project being increased from \$250,000.00 to \$500,000.00. All ayes, motion passed.

4. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

The current elevation is 1,158.6 ft, which is 24.4 ft below spill. This amounts to 56.5% of storage with 27,980 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is running at 640 Kw with releases of 107.8 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,162.8 ft, which is 20.2 ft below spill (63.3% or 31,340 Acre Feet). The Generator was running at 660 Kw with releases of 106.5 cfs.

Staff Activities:

Our newest crewmember started on July 29th and is off to a good start.

One crewmember attended a pesticide class on August 7, 2013.

Dry Creek Recapture Project:

The attorney has reviewed the SWRCB petition to add a new point of rediversion and a conference call to discuss his edits is scheduled for tomorrow.

Tennessee Ditch Hydro Electric Project:

Covered under an agenda item.

Yuba River Conserved Water Transfer:

The release of this year's transfer is complete as of July 31st. We now must wait for DWR to confirm that the water in fact has been transferred before we can send out the invoices.

Groundwater Substitution Third Party Impact:

After further investigation, it has been determined that the well at 9844 Spring Valley Road is not only muddy, but has also been running dry on a regular basis (after only 15 minutes of use) during the last several years and that any work done on that well is money not well spent. After meeting with Beymer Well Service on site, the recommended course of action is to drill a new well, as located by a douser and get this issue fixed once and for all. A douser is scheduled next week to site the most likely well location.

Meetings:

Past:

- 7-26-13 I attended the ACWA Board meeting in Sacramento.
- 7-31-13 I participated in the Tennessee Ditch Hydro Project conference call concerning next steps.
- 8-06-13 I attended the Accord Executive Committee briefing at YCWA.
- 8-06-13 The Personnel Committee (Directors Bordsen and Lowe) met to discuss the upcoming Operating Engineers Local #3 MOU negotiations.
- 8-06-13 Director Lowe and I met with Howard Corel at 9844 Spring Valley Rd. to consider solutions to the well issues on that parcel.
- 8-08-13 The Finance Committee (Directors Wheeler and Winchester) met to review the July bills and statements.

Future Meetings:

- 8-09-13 Conference call to discuss the SWRCB petition to add a new point of rediversion (Dry Creek Recapture Project).
- 8-13-13 Meet with douser to locate a new well at 9844 Spring Valley Road.
- 8-13-13 ACWA Region 2 Legislative sub-committee conference call.
- 8-14-13 YCWA Groundwater workshop in Marysville.
- 8-14-13 ACWA Energy Committee conference call.
- 8-16-13 ACWA Region 2 Board meeting at Western Canal WD.

Projects:

Past:

1. Continued work on the Cross Star Trail pipeline realignment. After examining the "shallow" route, it was determined that uncovering the "deep" route and fighting the one (large) rock there, was the less rocky path. The rock is in the process of being drilled and will have the expansion material poured into it in the next day or two.
2. Installed a new service on the Olive Hill pipeline.

3. Rebuilt a service on the McDrip pipeline.
4. Installed a blowout on the Benatar pipeline.
5. Repaired the brakes on truck # 4.
6. Repaired a hydraulic cylinder on the Bobcat skidsteer.

Future Projects:

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

5. The Board will consider payment policy for Accord Groundwater Substitution Transfer pumping vs. pumper allocations. The Board's consensus was that the District pay only the amount pumped up to each landowners allocations.

6. ACWA Region 2 officers and board members: Director Winchester seconded by Director Bordsen, moved to adopt the ballot for Region 2 Board Election for the 2014-2015 Term. All ayes, motion passed.

7. Tennessee Ditch Hydro Project: Concerning an Interconnection Study, Fast Track Screen and other permitting issues. The Board's consensus was that the project continue to move forward.

8. Director's Comments and Reports: None

9. Correspondence:

- Letter dated July 29, 2013 to Senator Kevin de Leon from BVID regarding AB 145 Opposition.

10. Closed Session: Update the Board and receive direction from the Board on labor negotiations involving Directors Bordsen and Lowe (Personnel Committee) and Operating Engineers #3; Government Code sections 54954.5 (f) and 54957.6.

11. Open Session: The Board will report any action taken in closed session. Discussion only, no action taken.

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