

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
AUGUST 25, 2011**

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

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the August 11, 2011 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Winchester, seconded by Director Lowe. All eyes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None.

3. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

Current elevation is 1,168.5 ft, which is 14.5 ft. below spill. This amounts to 73.3% of storage with 36,300 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is running at 610 Kw with releases of 94 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,165.0 ft, which is 18.0 ft below spill (67.1% or 33,200 Acre Feet). The Generator was running at 600 Kw with releases of 93 cfs.

The air conditioning compressor at the Powerhouse failed and has been replaced.

Dry Creek Water Study:

While the outage is more than two weeks away, we have been collecting baseline data for more than a week and expect to continue collecting data on a daily (seven day) basis through at least September 16th. We are currently monitoring 20 sites twice each day and will continue with this schedule through September 5th. During the outage, we will monitor those 20 sites every 2 hours during the daylight hours and return to the twice-a-day schedule after the water is back on until the drains return to pre-outage levels.

Car vs. Buffalo Part II:

On February 5, 2007, a car owned by Detlef Kreher hit a buffalo on Loma Rica Road, north of Scott Grant Road. According to Detlef, the owner of the buffalo is claiming that BVID left the gate open that allowed the buffalo to get onto the road. The District first heard of this accident on July 26, 2010 and was reported at the August 12, 2010 Board meeting. Detlef returned on August 16, 2011 asking for BVID to provide a letter concerning the gate (which was not provided on advice of counsel). The statute of limitations for this has long run out.

Geiselman pipeline (private):

Larry Geiselman (6164 Marysville Road) built a pipeline from his ditch service on the Arnold ditch to serve his (then) three parcels totaling 117 acres. Larry has since sold two of the smaller parcels (5 and 10 acres) and now wants BVID to either remove the services to these two parcels from his 2" pipeline or take over the entire 1,790' line. The alternative is to tie into the Sandy Way pipeline and run 4" pipe up to serve these same parcels and one more 5 acre parcel that currently does not receive water.

Dynamite on BV School Road:

On August 17th some very old dynamite was found stored in an old trailer on the property just east of the District office. It was determined that the safest way to dispose of the explosives was to leave it in place and burn the storage trailer where it was stored, which Cal Fire did later that same night. BVID was involved per a request from the Yuba County Sheriff to use the BVID driveway as a staging area for emergency personal and equipment.

Meetings:

Past:

- 08-13-11 I attended the Town hall meeting concerning Bullards Bar relicensing at Oregon House.
- 08-15-11 The GIS/Planner and I met with MBK to finalize the sighting the staff gages for the water study.
- 08-17-11 Director Winchester and I attended the Accord member Unit meeting at YCWA.
- 08-19-11 I attended the ACWA Region 2 Board meeting in Willows.
- 08-22-11 I attended the Accord Executive Committee meeting at YCWA.
- 08-23-11 I met (by phone) with Katie Burdick (IRWMP consultant) concerning Yuba's IRWMP update.
- 08-25-11 I attended the Member unit briefing concerning relicensing at YCWA.

Future Meetings:

- 08-31-11 ACWA Region 2 Legislative Sub-Committee conference call.
- 09-08-11 Finance Committee meeting.

Projects:

Past:

1. Repaired a break on the Peoria pipeline.
2. Sprayed the Harding canal and a section of the Pumpline canal.
3. Continued to exercise wharf and blowout valves.
4. Rebuilt a service on the BV Main ditch.

5. Continued work on the Ekstrom/Saddleback service. We installed 1,350' of pipe in the last two weeks.
6. Repaired two major leaks on the Sicard ditch.
7. Replaced the rear tires of the dump truck.
8. Jim Harvey Ag. Repair fixed the water truck carburetor, rear axle seal and front axle.
9. Completed maintenance on the Saddleback lift pump.
10. Assisted with water staff readings for the Dry Creek Recapture project.
11. Rebuilt the South ditch bank through Louise Ahart's.

Future:

1. Continue Spray Program weather permitting.
2. Continue the Ekstrom/Saddleback service/pipeline project on the Olive Hill ditch.
3. Continue exercising wharf and blowout valves.

4. Change order request at Virginia Ranch Dam: Director Winchester, seconded by Director Lowe moved to approve the change order request for Seismic Deformation Analysis at Virginia Ranch Dam subject to no additional mark up from Kleinsmidt for the additional cost of the sub-contractor. All ayes, motion passed.

5. Purchase of used Wi-Fi gear: Tabled

6. ACWA Region 2 Election: Director Winchester, seconded by Director Woods moved to approve the slate as presented for the 2012-2013 term. All ayes, motion passed.

7. Director's Comments and Reports: None.

8. Correspondence:

- Letter from Kleinschmidt regarding change order request
- E-mail from Yolo County Flood Control regarding surplus ethernet radio gear
- Memo to Curt Aikens regarding PG&E/YCWA enhancement agreement
- Letter to Senator Kehoe regarding Assembly Bill 685 oppose

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