

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OF THE  
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
SEPTEMBER 23, 2010**

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

**1. Minutes:** The Minutes of the September 9, 2010 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Winchester. All ayes, motion passed.

**2. Public Forum:** None.

**3. Manager's Report:**

**Collins Lake:**

Current elevation is 1,159.6 ft, which is 23.4 ft below spill. This amounts to 58.34% of storage with 28,880 Acre Feet of usable supplies remaining. The Generator is running at 380 Kw with releases of 68.9 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,142.4 ft, which is 40.6 ft below spill (33.4% or 16,520 Acre Feet). The Generator was running at 360 Kw with releases of 75.5 cfs.

**Financial Activities:**

Another \$50,000 was pulled from the Franklin Government Securities (Ginnie Mae) Fund and was used to purchase the following secondary market CD's;

\$49,338 at BMW Bank (Salt Lake City) for 25 months at 1.45%

\$1,054 at Bank Hapoalim (New York) for 28 months at 1.58%

This leaves a fund balance of \$94,000 that we will have down to zero in 3-1/2 months.

**Water Transfers:**

We received the payment for the 2010 Yuba River Conserved Water transfer to Santa Clara VWD in the amount of \$558,000.

**Ellis Pipeline:**

We completed a large road crossing on the Ellis pipeline. However, we nicked one of the nine phone lines that this pipeline has crossed. Since the last Board meeting, the crew has installed 840' of 18" pipe. We have now installed 6,232' of the 8,825' for this phase.

### **Tennessee Creek Hydroelectric Project:**

Kleinschmidt has provided a proposal and scope of work for the 10% engineering design (enough to support CEQA) with an estimated cost of \$24,000.

### **PG&E Peak Day Pricing:**

Although not well explained in their letter, we have been allowed to opt-out of the Peak Day Pricing Program for the Yuba River Pumping Plant and have chosen to do so.

### **Delta Flow Criteria, the DFG sequel:**

As required under last year's Delta bill, DFG has released its draft biological objectives and flow criteria for species dependent on the Delta. This draft DFG report almost entirely repeats the flow criteria that the State Water Board adopted in August but acknowledges that, in order to appropriately manage upstream cold water pools, it might be necessary to revise the flow criteria. DFG is required to finish this report by November 2010.

### **Meetings:**

#### **Past:**

- 09-16-10 Tony Ward, Mark Sayers and I met with John Wiegel (FERC) for an inspection of Virginia Ranch Dam.
- 09-21-10 Mark Sayers (GIS/Planner) attended the ESRI ArcGIS 10 workshop in Sacramento.
- 09-21-10 I attended the NCWA Water Management Task Force meeting in Sacramento.
- 09-22-10 Mark Sayers (GIS/Planner) attended the JPIA Underground Line Locator and Hazard Identification classes in Sacramento.
- 09-22-10 I met with Leah Parker (PG&E) concerning Peak Day Pricing in Marysville.
- 09-22-10 Director Winchester attended the NCWA Board meeting at Western Canal WD.
- 09-22-10 Director Winchester and I attended the Yuba County Planning Commission workshop concerning the 2030 General Plan.
- 09-23-10 Director Winchester and I attended the Yuba County Pumpers workshop at YCWA.
- 09-23-10 The History Committee (Director Bordsen) met to document the history of BVID.

#### **Future:**

- 09-24-10 Yuba Regional Water Management Group meeting in Marysville.
- 10-01-10 Vacation day.
- 10-05-10 NCWA Water Management Task Force meeting in Sacramento.

10-06-10 YCWA Member Unit meeting at YCWA.

10-14-10 Finance Committee (Directors Wheeler and Winchester) meeting.

**Projects:**

**Past:**

1. Repaired a main line break on the Peoria Ridge pipeline which zippered over 40' of pipe and undermined the asphalt. Also repaired a break on the Duckels pipeline.
2. Mechanically cleaned the Lower Main and Olive Hill ditches from Reedy Lane to Smith Road.
3. Rebuilt the brakes, replaced u-joints and replaced one rear axle hub on the 1991 Ford 1-ton.
4. Had a brake job and tune up done on pickup #7.
5. Installed the soffit at the Redhill East pump house.

**Future:**

1. Finish the last concrete pour in the new large shop.
2. Continue work on the Ellis pipeline.
3. Clean the bypass channel to the Fish Screen.

**4. NCWA Future Water Leaders Program:** No action taken.

**5. Resolution Authorization Repayment of DWR Loan to Construct the Upper Main Water Conservation Project:** Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Lowe, moved to adopt Resolution 9-23-10-01 *Authorizing Repayment Of DWR Loan To Construct The Upper Main Water Conservation Project*. President Woods then polled the Board:

AYES: Directors Woods, Bordsen, Lowe & Wheeler

NOES: Director Winchester

ABENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Resolution 9-23-10-01 passed.

**6. Director's Comments and Reports:**

- Director Bordsen reported on the History Committee's research.
- Director Winchester reported on Bay-Delta issues.

**8. Correspondence:**

- Letter from Ned Spieker regarding water sales.
- Letter from Mr. Garcia-Alvarez in thanks for great service.
- Letter to Dan Cucchi, Project Planner at Yuba County regarding 2030 General Plan Update.
- Invitation from Yuba LAFCO for Ethics Training course.

- Letter from NCWA regarding Future Water Leaders Program.
- Letter to staff regarding water conservation efforts.

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