

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 25, 2014**

At 5:00 pm President Bordsen called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Browns Valley Irrigation District to order. Directors present were Lowe, Wheeler and Winchester. Director Woods was absent. Also in attendance were Manager Cotter, Assistant Manager McNally and Clerk Springsteen.

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the September 11, 2014 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Wheeler. Directors Winchester, Lowe, Bordsen, and Wheeler ayes. Director Woods absent.

2. Public Forum: None

3. The Board will consider a request from a customer for BVID to install a wharf valve on Dusty Trail. After discussion the Board directed staff to supply the landowner with a cost for labor and materials for installation at the owner's expense.

4. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

The current elevation is 1,132.3 ft, which is 50.7 ft below spill. This amounts to 21.2% of storage with 10,510 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is now running at 180 Kw with releases of 61.99 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,146.7 ft, which is 36.3 ft below spill (38.9% or 19,290 Acre Feet). The Generator was running at 340 Kw with releases of 71.5 cfs.

Yuba River:

The YCWA is going to reduce releases from Englebright to 520 CFS to facilitate a LIDAR mapping study. This will give member units a total of 100 CFS to divert to ensure the Marysville gage to remains at or above 420 CFS. BVID is going to turn off the Yuba River pumps on Friday, September 26 to accommodate this and will resume Monday, September 29.

Staff Activities:

Staff is currently recruiting to fill a temporary position.

Several weeks ago, the State Board of Equalization called to advise they had received a report that BVID has been using off road (red-dyed) diesel fuel without proper authorization. Staff searched for our long standing license to do so but was unable to locate it. A new license is now in place.

On September 19, 2014, MBK advised staff that the SWRCB informed them about receiving a complaint that BVID has been wasting water on the Mahle, Olive Hill and lower Browns Valley ditches. The SWRCB has requested an inspection on September 30, 2014.

O'Brien Pipeline:

Work on the pipeline is nearly complete with approximately 100 feet to go. The pump and pump motor have been installed and PG&E is scheduled to energize the meter the first week in October.

Dry Creek Recapture Project:

Details regarding the easement through the Coughlin's property will be discussed in Closed Session.

Saddleback Lift Pump:

Staff is reviewing the draft CEQA Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Water Transfers:

Groundwater pumping continues with our DSO reading meters weekly. As of September 22, 2014, the District has pumped 654 Acre Feet out of a total allocation of 2,649 Acre Feet. BVID has pumped 182 Acre Feet of that amount.

Meetings:**Past:**

- 09-15-14 The Manager and Assistant Manager attended a fall operations briefing at YCWA.
- 09-16-14 The Assistant Manager and Operations Manager attended management training at Yuba City Public Works through 09-18-14.
- 09-18-14 The Manager attended an ACWA Region 2 and 4 Event in Sacramento.
- 09-23-14 The Manager and Assistant Manager met with BVID's newest PG&E Customer Service Rep.
- 09-23-14 The Manager attended an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan meeting at YCWA.

Future Meetings:

- 09-30-14 Inspection with the SWQRB.
- 10-09-14 Financial Committee meeting.
- 10-09-14 BVID Board meeting.
- 10-23-14 BVID five year Functional EAP Exercise
- 12-01-14 Annual Fall ACWA Conference in San Diego.

Projects:**Past:**

1. Installed the electrical box for the Variable Frequency Drive for the O'Brien Lift Pump and Pipeline. We also installed the conduit from the pump panel to the power pole.
2. Repaired a leak on the Lower Main ditch and the Arnold ditch.
3. Removed a willow root ball stuck in a culvert on the Arnold ditch.

4. Inspected several ditches in the District for leaks.
5. Louis Powell passed his Class A driving permit test.

Future Projects:

1. Repair eight leaks on the Abel pipeline.
2. Finish the O'Brien Lift Pump and Pipeline.
3. Install a bypass valve on lift pumps at the Pumpline Canal.

5. The Board will consider the BVID Contingency Purchase Schedule utilizing funds from the 2014 Conserved Water Transfer. The contingency purchase schedule was approved on a motion by President Bordsen, seconded by Director Winchester. Directors Winchester, Lowe, Bordsen, and Wheeler ayes. Director Woods absent.

6. The Board will consider a resolution in Support of Proposition 1 – The Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014. Director Winchester, seconded by Director Lowe moved to approve Resolution 9-25-14-1. President Bordsen then polled the Board:

AYES: Directors Wheeler, Lowe, Winchester and Bordsen
NOES: none
ABSTAIN: none
ABSENT: Woods
Resolution 9-25-14-1 passed.

7. Concerning the current drought conditions. No action taken.

8. Director's Comments and Reports: None

10. Correspondence:

- Letter dated September 16, 2014 to Members of California Legislature from Governor Brown concerning AB1739, SB1162 and SB1319.
- Letter dated September 17, 2014 to BVID from Michael Bordenkicher regarding installation of wharf valve.

11. Closed Session: Conference with real property negotiator involving APN 006160015000, and the Coughlan family. Instructions to District property negotiators may include price, terms of payment or both. (See Government Code sections 54954.5(b) and 54956.8.)

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

13. Adjournment: There being no further business before the Board, President Bordsen adjourned the meeting.