

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 27, 2012**

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 Bordsen, Wheeler, Woods and Winchester. Also in attendance were Manager Cotter and Clerk Springsteen.

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the September 13, 2012 Regular Board Meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Woods. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None

3. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

The current elevation is 1,150.2 ft, which is 32.8 ft below spill. This amounts to 43.9% of storage with 21,740 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is running at 460 KW with releases of 82 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,162.1 ft, which is 20.9 ft below spill (62.2% or 30,780 Acre Feet). The Generator was running at 410 KW with releases of 71.1 cfs.

Our 180 day exemption for generation without being connected to Cal ISO expires today and our consultant has not yet installed the equipment needed to make that connection. The consultant (Trimark) does expect to complete the project prior to the next Board meeting. The main delay has come from Cal ISO in that the design requirements have been changed (by Cal ISO) at least twice and once by the District when we shifted from the tower to the T-1. This created the need for project redesigns along the way.

Dam Party (Bond Burning Party):

While we do not have a firm count on the attendance, there were in excess of 225 people that participated in the celebration of the final payment of the General Obligation Bond.

Dry Creek Recapture Project:

The planned survey of Dry Creek and the area just west of the Creek was canceled at the last minute by Mead & Hunt due to an equipment issue on their end. The survey has been rescheduled for early next week.

Tennessee Ditch Hydro Project:

In order to provide the consulting team with the information needed for the generation analysis, we compiled and sent out more than 6 pounds of data and records. This included the original agreements and amendments for the Virginia Ranch Dam Powerhouse as well as generation records.

Voting Rights Act Preclearance Bailout:

While this has been a slow process, we are on the verge of filing the friendly lawsuit with the Department of Justice that will ultimately relieve the District of this burden during future annexations. This same process will also provide coverage for all previously un-precleared voting changes. In spite of the delay, BVID is still the first agency in Yuba County to file a bailout action.

Meetings:

Past:

- 9-14-12 I attended the “Accord Clear the Air” meeting with the Accord buyers group in Sacramento.
- 9-19-12 Director Winchester attended the NCWA Board meeting at Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District.
- 9-20-12 The GIS/Planner and I participated in a conference call with Trimark concerning the Cal ISO connection project.
- 9-26-12 I attended the ACWA Regional (Regions 2, 3 & 4) Briefing in Sacramento.

Future Meetings:

- 09-28-12 ACWA Board meeting in Sacramento.
- 10-03-12 Operations Manager will meet with the Scott Wood (JPIA) for a site visit.
- 10-05-12 NCWA Communications Committee conference call.
- 10-11-12 Finance Committee meeting to review the September bills and statements.

Projects:

Past:

1. Repaired a break on the Valley of the Eagles pipeline.
2. Completed the work building up the Pumpline canal bank on Fruitland Road.
3. Sprayed cattails on the Pumpline canal.
4. Completed maintenance on vehicle #14.
5. Installed a temporary weed rack at the Sicard Tunnel to be used during mechanical cleaning.
6. Mechanically cleaned a section of the Sicard Ditch and repaired several small leaks in the process.
7. Installed steel posts at Collins Lake to house Cal ISO monitoring equipment.
8. Gathered supplies and prepared for the “Dam Party”.

Future Projects:

1. Continue Spray Program weather permitting.
2. More generator output testing as the Lake elevation drops.

4. Contract for the Deposit of Moneys: Local Agencies: Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Woods moved to accept the contract with Umpqua Bank and General Manager to sign. All ayes, motion passed.

5. Wavier of Security with Umpqua Bank: Director Winchester, seconded by Director Woods moved to accept Waiver of Security with Umpqua Bank. All ayes, motion passed.

6. Director's Comments and Reports: Director Winchester requested updates on the Dry Creek Recapture Project and winter water contract negotiations with YCWA in the Managers Report at each Board Meeting.

7. Correspondence:

- E-Mail dated September 6, 2012 from Josh Horowitz to Manager Cotter regarding edits to contracts with Umpqua Bank.
- Blog dated September 24, 2012 from David Guy regarding BVID Bond Burning Party.
- Memo dated September 26, 2012 from Manager Cotter to Board of Directors regarding Sexual Harassment Training.

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