

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
OCTOBER 23, 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 Wheeler, Winchester and Woods. Director Lowe was absent. Also in attendance were Manager Cotter, Assistant Manager McNally and Clerk Springsteen.

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the October 23, 2014 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Winchester, seconded by Director Wheeler. Wheeler, Winchester, Woods and Bordsen ayes. Director Lowe absent, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None

3. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

The current elevation is 1,125.4 ft, which is 57.6ft below spill. This amounts to 14.14% of storage with 7,000 acre feet of usable supplies. The Generator is now running at 102 Kw with releases of 49.48 CFS. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,140.0 ft, which is 43.0 ft below spill (29.9% or 14,800 acre feet). The Generator was running at 375 Kw with releases of 70.9 CFS.

With the lake at its lowest level, staff has scheduled Big Valley Divers to dive near the dam to inspect the intake infrastructure. The tentative date is November 3, 2014.

Staff Activities:

Staff is currently recruiting to fill a fulltime position.

The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) produced the anonymous letter identifying problem areas which prompted the rescheduled inspection of the Mahle, Olive Hill and lower Browns Valley ditches. The inspection is now 11/06/2014.

The Manager and Assistant Manager transported a 2007 Ford F-150 to Carmax, which was sold for \$2,000. It was retired at 131,670 miles.

O'Brien Pipeline:

The system is operational and delivering water.

Dry Creek Recapture Project:

Term sheets have been sent to the Karlshoej and Coughlin families regarding easement negotiations. Staff is awaiting responses from each.

Saddleback Lift Pump:

Comments for the CEQA Mitigated Negative Declaration have been returned to the consultant.

Water Transfers:

Groundwater pumping continues with our DSO reading meters weekly. As of October 20, 2014, the District has pumped 1,946 AF out of a total allocation of 2,649 AF. The BVID well is off and has pumped 345 AF (95 AF more than estimated). Zone 1 has a remainder of 167 AF; Zone 4 has a remainder of 536 AF. The Zone 1 pumpers have been notified that we are nearing the end of their allocations.

The first check from the Conserved Water Transfer has arrived from the Santa Clara Valley Water District in the amount of \$720,750.00

Meetings:

Past:

- 10-16-14 The Manager and Assistant Manager met with an engineering firm to discuss project management services associated with the Dry Creek Recapture project.
- 10-16-14 The Manager and Assistant Manager met with Ron Erny on behalf of the Karlshoej family to discuss the easement for the Dry Creek Recapture project.
- 10-20-14 The Manager participated in an ACWA Region 2 and 4 Legislative conference call.
- 10-22-14 The Manager attended an IRWMP Meeting at YCWA.
- 10-23-14 The entire office staff participated in the BVID five year Functional EAP Exercise.

Future Meetings:

- 11-06-14 SWRCB inspection for the Mahle, Olive Hill and Lower Browns Valley ditches.
- 11-12-14 Groundwater allocation process review meeting at YCWA.
- 12-01-14 Annual Fall ACWA Conference in San Diego.

Projects:

Past:

1. Repaired breaks on the Hill Road, Mahle, and Peoria pipelines.
2. Worked on clearing the path for the Lower Ellis pipeline.
3. Repaired landscape on a property that was flooded by a pipeline break.
4. Built and installed the platform and weed rack at the O'Brien lift pump.

Future Projects:

1. Repair eight leaks on the Abel pipeline.
2. Fix leak at the Harding Canal above the Pietz ranch as soon as the water is shut down for the season.
3. Continue to clear the path for the lower Ellis pipeline.

4. The Board will consider Amendment No. 6 to the Lower Yuba River Accord Agreement for the Conjunctive Use of Surface and Groundwater Supplies. A motion by Director Winchester, seconded by Director Wheeler moved to Amendment No. 6 to the Lower Yuba River Accord Agreement. Wheeler, Winchester, Woods and Bordsen ayes. Director Lowe absent, motion passed.

5. The Board will consider a resolution to amend the Browns Valley Irrigation District Conflict of Interest Code. Director Winchester, seconded by Director Woods moved to approve Resolution 10-23-14-1
President Bordsen then polled the Board:

AYES: Directors Wheeler, Woods, Winchester and Bordsen
NOES: none
ABSTAIN: none
ABSENT: Lowe
Resolution 10-23-14-1 passed

6. The Board will consider signing an updated signature card for Tri-Counties Bank to include the Assistant General Manager as an authorized signature. A motion by Director Winchester, seconded by Director Woods to add Assistant Manager McNally to the all the bank accounts at BVID. Wheeler, Winchester, Woods and Bordsen ayes. Director Lowe absent, motion passed.

7. The Board will consider adjusting the November and December Board meeting dates. After discussion, a motion by Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Wheeler to cancel the November 27, 2014 and the December 25, 2014 Regular Board Meetings. Wheeler, Winchester, Woods and Bordsen ayes. Director Lowe absent, motion passed.

8. Concerning the current drought conditions. After discussion regarding ending of the irrigation season a motion by Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Winchester, moved to approve the irrigation water to be shut off on October 24, 2014. Wheeler, Winchester, Woods and Bordsen ayes. Director Lowe absent, motion passed.

9. Director's Comments and Reports: None

10. Correspondence:

- Letter dated August 15, 2014 from a Concerned Citizen to Whom it May Concern regarding potential water wasting problems.
- Letter dated October 16, 2014 from Collins Lake to BVID regarding Semi-Annual Report 2014-15 First Half.

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