

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
OCTOBER 27, 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 Bordsen. Director Lowe was absent. Also in attendance were Manager Cotter and Clerk Springsteen.

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the October 13, 2011 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Bordsen. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None.

3. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

Current elevation is 1,158.7 ft, which is 24.3 ft. below spill. This amounts to 56.4% of storage with 27,910 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is running at 285 Kw with releases of 59.25 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,157.0 ft, which is 26 ft below spill (54.1% or 26,800 Acre Feet). The Generator was off with releases of 3 cfs.

Financial Activities:

Using funds at Edward Jones, we purchased a CD at BMW Bank of North America for \$11,000 for 22 months at 1.26%.

CalPers has updated their entire operating software package, which has not gone smoothly for them. The Office Manager has spent many hours working through several CalPers issues and has even uncovered a software glitch in their system that CalPers is still trying to resolve.

Staff Activities:

The Office Manager attended an ACWA/JPIA Human Resources meeting in Roseville on 10-19-11.

Hydroelectric:

I have inquired as to the status of the PG&E/YCWA Enhancement Amendment for the District's Yuba River water. YCWA has received and is reviewing documents from PG&E and will have something for us early next week.

NLine Energy is in the process of finalizing their Power Study on the Tennessee Ditch Hydroelectric project including funding and ownership options. The report is expected to ready for the November Board meeting.

Delta Plan:

The draft Delta Plan EIR is expected to be released in the next few days. This up to 2,500 page document will have a 60 day public review period and will make for interesting reading.

Meetings:**Past:**

- 10-19-11 The GIS/Planner and I attended the Northern Sacramento Valley Water Forum concerning the Delta Plan and how it affects northern California.
- 10-20-11 I met with Joe Barnes and Don Jones (URS Corp) concerning future District projects.
- 10-25-11 I attended the Water Storage Workshop in Sacramento.
- 10-26-11 I met with Terry Luker concerning reimbursable expenses for the Accord diesel to electric conversion program on the BV-16 well (Winchester).

Future Meetings:

- 11-03-11 through 11-07-11 I will be on vacation.
- 11-11-11 District Holiday, Office closed.
- 11-28-11 through 12-02-11 JPIA and ACWA Conference in Anaheim.

Projects:**Past:**

1. Repaired a break on each of the McDrip, Wolf Trail, Hill Road, and Abel pipelines.
2. Changed the roofing on the three sided shed to stop the condensation drips inside the shed.
3. Replaced a limit switch and shortened a drive chain on the brushes for the John Nelson Fish Screen.
4. Installed pump shaft safety guards at the Saddleback lift pump and the District well.
5. Mechanically cleaned a section of the Sicard ditch.
6. Built and installed a steel walkway on the BV Main ditch south of the Tennessee Creek diversion.
7. Spot sprayed on the BV Main ditch.
8. Replaced a service on the Thousand Trails ditch.

Future Projects:

1. Continue Spray Program weather permitting.
2. Continue exercising wharf and blowout valves.
3. Finish the Mahle screen and drain safety fence.

4. PG&E Contracting Options under the Qualifying Facility (QF) Settlement:

After discussion the Board consensus was that a consultant should be brought in to assist with this issue, assuming the cost will not to exceed \$2,500.00.

5. County Supervisor Boundaries: Discussion only no action taken.

6. Director's Comments and Reports: Director Bordsen inquired on the status of the correction regarding the 4th quarter 2010 Director checks, staff will contact the accountant regarding the adjustment.

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