

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 10, 2009**

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

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the August 27, 2009 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Woods. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None.

3. Finance Committee Report: Directors Wheeler and Winchester reported that they had reviewed the August financial reports and found everything to be in order. Director Wheeler, seconded by Director Bordsen, moved to approve the August Financial Reports. All ayes, motion passed.

2009 Contingent Purchases was tabled for later meeting.

4. Collins Lake Drought Update: No action taken.

5. Manager's Report:

Collins Lake:

Current elevation is 1,145.4 ft, which is 37.6 ft below spill. This amounts to 37% of storage with 18,400 Acre Feet of usable supplies. The Generator is running at 450 Kw with releases of 86 cfs. Last year on this date the elevation was 1,133.9 ft, which is 49.1 ft below spill (23% or 11,350 Acre Feet). The Generator was running at 400 Kw with releases of 105 cfs.

Financial Activities:

On September 8th the CD at Bank of the Ozarks in the amount of \$50,000 matured. These funds have been rolled into the Franklin US Government Securities Fund that is currently earning 3.86%.

Staff Activities:

The MRI of Randy Hurlbut's back injury (from August 4th) was inconclusive and he was scheduled for a CAT scan today.

Conserved Water Transfer:

This transfer was completed on August 31st and the invoice has been sent.

Legislative Conference Committee:

Despite a September 8th deadline for producing a package of water-related bills, the 14-member Senate-Assembly conference committee on water did not meet yesterday or take action on a package of water-related bills. This process appears to have broken down and may have trouble completing the work before the Legislature adjourns Friday night.

Ag Water Management Council:

One of the bills being worked on by the Legislative Conference Committee above is AB 49. One of the things that this bill requires is that water districts will prepare ag water management plans. Meanwhile, The Ag Water Management Council is losing its funding and is in danger of failing. It is this Council that has been in charge of approving the 'plans' as well as the keeper of those plans that have been completed. Depending on how the above process shakes out, we may want to consider assisting with their funding.

Peoria Pipeline:

Continued work on Phase 2 of the Peoria pipeline. Saenger Trail area final clean up completed to include chipping the brush. Also cleared and chipped brush ahead of the excavator. The excavator operator is on vacation all this week and no pipe was installed. Last week 680' of pipe was installed for a total of 5,125' installed so far.

Meetings:

Past:

- 09-02-09 I attended the Accord/Buyer Negotiation meeting in Sacramento.
- 09-03-09 I attended the ACWA Region 2 Delta Legislative Package Briefing in Willows.
- 09-09-09 Director Winchester and I attended the Member Unit meeting in Marysville.
- 09-10-09 The Finance Committee (Directors Wheeler and Winchester) met to review the August bills.

Future:

- 09-11-09 Meeting with Director Winchester and Paul Bartkiewicz concerning Property Taxes and Yuba Relicensing in Sacramento.
- 09-14-09 NCWA Golf Tournament with Director Winchester in Sacramento.
- 09-15-09 Meeting with Alden Robinson (Hydro Consultant) here.
- 09-16-09 Accord/Buyer Negotiation meeting in Sacramento.
- 09-17-09 FERC Face to Face and EAP update here.
- 09-23-09 FERC/DSOD inspection of Virginia Ranch Dam.
- 12-01-09 Beginning of ACWA Fall Conference in San Diego.

Projects:

Past:

1. The parking lot and driveway was prepared, sealed and striped at the District office.
2. Audited a section of the Hill Road pipeline to include Blue Ridge Way and Choctaw Trail areas.
3. Built service locks.
4. Removed a large fallen digger pine tree from the Arnold Ditch.
5. Repaired a break on the on the Sandy Way pipeline.
6. Completed the routine maintenance on truck #5 and #10.

Future:

1. Continue the Peoria Pipeline Phase 2.
2. Continue audits.

6. Developing Policy on “Red Flag Rules”: Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Lowe, moved to have Attorney Bartkiewicz draft a policy for Red Flag Rules. All ayes, motion passed.

7. Discussion of Long Term Plans and Goals for District : No action taken.

8. Correspondence:

- o Email from Attorney Horowitz (confidential) regarding FTC Red Flag Regulations.
- o Letter from AWMC regarding dues.
- o Letter to Senator Sam Aanestad & Assembly Member Dan Logue regarding Comprehensive Water Package.
- o Final draft letter sent to Saddleback Ranch regarding their request for agreement concerning BVID’s operation of “R” Ditch Lift Station.

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