

Browns Valley Irrigation District
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**MINUTES OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

WHEN
Thursday
January 11, 2024
5:00 pm

WHERE
9370 Browns Valley School Rd
Browns Valley, CA
95918

This meeting will be conducted by Zoom Video Conference and Audio Teleconference Only.

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OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
JANUARY 11, 2024**

President Woods called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Browns Valley Irrigation District to order. Directors present were Lowe, Rist, Howard and Bordsen. Also in attendance were Secretary /Manager Kelly McNally, Clerk Springsteen, and Operations Manager Shrader.

1. Call for nominations, and the Election of Officers. President Woods called for nominations for the Election of Officers. A motion by Director Woods, seconded by Director Bordsen moved to nominate Director Rist as President and Director Lowe as Vice President. All ayes, motion passed.

Director Rist, seconded by Director Bordsen, moved to appoint GM Kelly McNally as Secretary/Treasurer and Admin Services Manager Springsteen as Clerk. All ayes, motion passed.

2. The Minutes of the December 14, 2023 Regular Board Meeting will be reviewed by the Board for approval. A motion by Director Woods, seconded by Director Howard to approve the December 14, 2023 minutes. All ayes, motion passed.

3. Public Forum: None

4. Finance Committee Report: Concerning the December 2023 Financials. A motion by Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Woods to approve the December 2023 financials. All ayes, motion passed

5. The Board will consider a wage adjustment for staff not otherwise covered by the Memorandum of Understanding. A motion by Director Bordsen seconded by Director Howard to approve wage adjustment for staff not otherwise covered by MOU. All ayes, motion passed.

6. The Board will discuss the Sicard Flat Pipeline Upgrade project service connections and may take action as appropriate. A motion by Director Bordsen seconded by Director Howard to approve Sicard Flt Pipeline Guidelines as presented. All ayes, motion passed.

7. Manager’s Report:

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	22,970 AF	46.9%	1,152.3 FT	30.7 FT	3.1 CFS	0 kW
1 YEAR AGO	39,443 AF	80.6%	1,172.8 FT	10.2 FT	1.2 CFS	0 kW

YUBA RIVER STATUS (PUMPLINE CANAL)

DATE	MAX DIVERSION RATE (BVID/YWA CONTRACT)	BVID WATER RIGHT (CURRENT MONTH)	CURRENT DIVERSION*
TODAY	20 CFS	20 CFS	0 CFS

**If the current diversion exceeds BVID monthly water right, the difference is deducted from the District's "Project Base Supply."*

STAFF ACTIVITIES

On December 20, 2023, staff discovered a discrepancy between the Core and Main bid and billing documents for the Sicard Flat Pipeline project. The Manager and Operations Manager met with Core and Main's District Manager and District Sales Manager on December 27, 2023 to discuss the billing discrepancy. During the discussion, it was determined Core and Main had not adhered to the prices listed in the bid document.

Technical Services Manager continues to work on the Sicard Flat Pipeline project easements with the UC, wetland mapping and permits with Marcus Bole and the 2023 Annexation.

On December 15, 2023 the Manager met with MHM Engineering to discuss the Pumpline Canal project and bid package. For background, when Mead and Hunt performed the analysis on the canal in 2016, the plan was for BVID staff to complete the improvements, however, BVID field staff are assigned to the Sicard Flat Pipeline and will be for the next two to three years.

The General Manager has been coordinating with FERC and the Consultant on the District's Part 12D inspection, reviewing the 2023 DSSMR proposal, and working with the Yuba County Surveyor and Cranmer Engineering on the Lot Line Adjustment. The Manager has also been working with the District's legal team on the SLA Resolution as well as a Letter of Interest from Emrgy Energy.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Sicard Flat Pipeline

Installation and fusion of the pipeline has been suspended until the weather improves.

BVID Property

Yuba County received the updated exhibits from CEI on January 4, 2024 and are considered "Draft" until approved by the Yuba County Surveyor.

The Surplus Land Act exemption is being prepared by BVID's legal team and needs the approved exhibits to complete the resolution.

PAST MEETINGS

- 12/15/2023 MHM Pumpline Canal
- 12/19/2023 YWA Board meeting
- 12/20/2023 Yuba River Endowment Board meeting
- 12/27/2023 Core and Main/BVID

1/2/2024 YWA Board meeting
1/10/2024 Water Purchase Program discussion with YWA and DWR

FUTURE MEETINGS

1/16/2024 YWA Board meeting
1/17/2024 Yuba River Endowment Board meeting
1/24/2024 NCWA Water Leaders Class

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

Upper District

The Sicard Pipeline project is being delayed due to wet weather and the crew is progressing in areas that are not affected by muddy and slippery conditions.

Construction equipment has been brought back to the shop and is receiving much needed maintenance and fluid changes.

Ditches are being inspected for downed trees and obstructions due to storms. So far, the district has had minimal impacts to the distribution system.

Lower District

Pumpline is off and will remain off until water is requested, or the rain ends.

Mechanical cleaning of the Canal is underway and will continue as necessary.

8. Director's Comments and Reports: None

9. Correspondence:

- Email dated January 2, 2024, to BVID from Bartkiewicz, Kronick & Shanahan regarding legal services billing rates for 2024

10. Adjournment: 5:22PM