

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OF THE  
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
AUGUST 8, 2019**

At 5:00pm President Wheeler called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Browns Valley Irrigation District to order. Directors present were Bordsen, Woods, Lowe and Maslan. Also in attendance were Manager McNally, Clerk Springsteen and Operations Manager Shrader.

**1. Minutes:** The Minutes of the July 25, 2019 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Woods, seconded by Director Lowe. All ayes, motion passed.

**2. Public Forum:** None

**3. Finance Committee Report: Concerning the Financial Report for July 2019.** Director Bordsen reported that the Committee had reviewed the financial records for the month of July and found everything to be in order. Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Wheeler moved to approve the financial reports for the month of July. All ayes, motion passed.

**4. The Board will receive an update from staff regarding the Sicard Pipeline Project.** Discussion only, no action taken.

**5. Manager's Report:**

**COLLINS LAKE STATUS**

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
<b>TODAY</b>	<b>39,210 AF</b>	<b>79.2%</b>	<b>1,171.9 FT</b>	<b>11.1 FT</b>	94.5 CFS	<b>642 KW</b>
1 YEAR AGO	34,550 AF	69.8%	1,166.5 FT	16.5 FT	90.8 CFS	590 KW

**STAFF ACTIVITIES**

On July 26, 2019, Teichert constructed a 3" asphalt overlay to repair the failures as discussed at the last meeting. To do the work, the total cost was \$15,750, which is only \$2,750 more than the original bid of \$13,000 to just do the dig-outs.

On July 30 and 31, 2019, crews replaced 40' of the HDPE siphon on the Thousand Trails Ditch just north of the intersection of Loma Rica and Marysville Roads. The crew was able to patch the leak and restore service by the end of the day.

On August 2, 2019, the crews found a substantial leak on the Sicard Ditch just below the tunnel, which was temporarily repaired accordingly.

On August 5, 2019, the tenants of the District's rental home called to advise they are looking to move within the next couple of months, if not sooner. The Manager has coordinated with an architect to begin drafting plans to convert the home into the District's future boardroom and front office, estimated at

approximately \$3,000. \$157,000 for the project was allocated in the 2019 Budget. Over the next couple of months, we will need to decide if we want to lease the home again or move forward with the renovation. The Manager has been in contact with the County and has learned that the project should not invoke any improvements to Marysville Road and should not invoke any upgrades to the septic system per Environmental Health.

## **CURRENT PROJECTS**

### **Conserved Water Transfer**

Because the Delta is now in a balanced condition, the District and Dudley Ridge are re-exploring the Conserved Water Transfer with the remaining water that was not spilled. As of July 2, 2019, YWA regained control of the river and have been holding the CWT water for the District and should accumulate 1,620 acre-feet by through September 30, 2019.

In May 2019, BVID and Dudley Ridge agreed on \$195 per acre-foot and BVID would again ask YWA to maintain a \$10 per acre-foot charge (opposed to an increase), netting \$185 per acre-foot to the District, or potentially \$299,700.

### **Sicard Pipeline Project**

On August 5, 2019, Director Bordsen and the Manager attend the YWA POD Committee to ask for the Sicard Pipeline Project design, engineering, CEQA and conserved water study component of the project. The POD Committee recommended approval of the requested \$637,320 to the full YWA Board, to be considered during consent agenda.

On August 6, 2019, the Manager attended the YWA Board meeting, where, due to other controversial issues, all consent items were pulled from the agenda. Several Directors asked the Manager to speak on the grants request and the Manager reiterated the importance of the project to the District. The grant request was approved unanimously.

The Manager has given Peterson Brustad a verbal notice to proceed, with the agreement still under development and review. The Manager has also signed and returned the agreement between YWA and BVID for the grant funding through December 2020.

Staff has coordinated with Marcus Bole and Associates to begin the CEQA work ASAP.

The Manager has coordinated a telephone call with MBK on August 20, 2019 to begin the conserved water study.

### **Virginia Ranch Dam**

GEI has submitted the draft Part 12D to FERC.

Wayne Edwards has completed the independent audit of the ODSP.

### **Yuba River**

On July 25, 2019, the crew cleaned the Yuba River channel with Marcus Bole providing biological oversight. A more thorough cleaning is scheduled to occur in late-August

## **PAST MEETINGS**

- 07/29/19 The Manager traveled to the Sonoma Water Education Center with YWA on behalf of the Yuba River Endowment.
- 07/30/19 The Manager met with a representative of CalComm Solar to discuss a proposal to the District (scheduled for the August 22, 2019 meeting).
- 08/05/19 Director Bordsen and the Manager attended the POD Committee meeting at YWA to discuss the Sicard Pipeline project.
- 08/05/19 Union staff met with Mr. Michael DeAnda with the Operating Engineers to begin discussing the upcoming employee MOU.
- 08/06/19 The Manager attended the YWA Board meeting at Yuba County to discuss the Sicard Pipeline project.
- 08/07/19 The Manager met with Mike Filice, Jeff Maupin and Crystal Martin to discuss the IRWMP process.
- 08/07/19 The Manager attended a Yuba River Endowment meeting at YWA.
- 08/07/19 The Manager attended a Member Unit meeting at YWA.

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- TBD Conference call with Dudley Ridge, Solano County Water Agency, YWA and DWR to discuss the Conserved Water Transfer.
- 08/20/19 Conference call with MBK to discuss the Conserved Water Study for the Sicard Pipeline project.
- 08/21/19 Groundwater sustainability committee meeting in Marysville.

## **DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS**

### **Upper District**

We have completed the pipeline installation for the new fire station.

The siphon repair has been completed on the Thousand Trails Ditch. There were a few minor hiccups during the install of the new pipe and service was interrupted a little longer than anticipated.

Several large leaks were discovered and repaired on the lower end of the Sicard Ditch. There are still several small leaks on the upper end of the ditch that combine into a large flow of water, these leaks are hard to find due to the rocky conditions that exist in these areas.

A mainline leak was repaired on Redhill Way.

Many of the overgrown locations throughout the district have been trimmed back to allow better access to fixtures.

### **Lower District**

The Pumpline Canal is running at 58cfs.

The Channel cleaning has been scheduled for the 26<sup>th</sup> of August, this cleaning should only take a couple of days.

### **Upcoming tasks**

Weed eat and spray district waterways and fixtures as necessary.

Complete the road crossing of Scott Forbes Rd.

### **6. Director's Comments and Reports:** None

### **7. Correspondence:**

- Letter dated July 26, 2019 to YWA from BVID regarding Sicard Ditch Engineering
- Agreement dated August 7, 2019 between YWA and BVID

### **8. Adjournment:** 5:11PM