

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
OCTOBER 24, 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, Maslan and Lowe. Also in attendance were Clerk Springsteen and Operations Manager Shrader. Manager McNally was absent.

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the October 10, 2019 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Woods, seconded by Director Bordsen. All ayes motion passed.

2. Public Forum: Residents from Mountain View Terrace inquired about the status of new proposed pipeline to their properties.

3. The Board will discuss the 2019 Irrigation Season. No action taken

4. Manager’s Report:

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	27,430 AF	55.4%	1,157.7 FT	25.3 FT	86.1 CFS	458 kW
1 YEAR AGO	21,880 AF	44.2%	1,150.4 FT	32.6 FT	76.9 CFS	389 kW

**As of 10/22/2019*

STAFF ACTIVITIES

As of this writing, Reliance Propane is scheduled for a final connection on October 23, 2019. Staff connected a portable propane bottle to test the system prior and it functioned perfectly except for when the air conditioner was activated. The theory is that because the fuel line leading from the portable tank was not sized per the required specs, the generator was not getting enough fuel for the increased load. With everything running, the office demanded 38 amps and the generator is rated for 60 amps so capacity is sufficient.

The required five-year functional exercise of the emergency action plan (EAP) is scheduled for November 15, 2019 at Sycamore Ranch. This will involve all staff in a simulated emergency. To prepare, staff is also meeting November 1, 2019 to discuss the event.

The Manager met with the Coughlin family and they indicated they would likely be willing to lease the property required for the solar installation, or possibly allow us to perform a parcel split and purchase the small area necessary. Staff will work with Yuba County to determine if a 2+/- acre parcel is permitted in that area per the zoning ordinance. The Manager will follow up with the Coughlin family in a couple weeks after giving them time to think about it. No offers have been made at this time.

The Manager is working with YWA to amend the Power Enhancement Agreement to specifically remove any costs associated with the secondary spillway project from the net revenue calculation.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Caltrans Highway 20 Realignment

Staff intends to work with Caltrans for a revision to add an additional sleeve across Highway 20 at Sicard Flat Road to service the Yuba Watershed Experience once the Sicard Pipeline project is complete.

Collins Lake Concessionaire Agreement

Legal Counsel expects to have a draft agreement for review by the November 14, 2019 board meeting, but no later than the December 12, 2019 board meeting.

Conserved Water Transfer

Dudley Ridge has drafted a letter in response to DWR detailing reasons why we are in disagreement over their denial of our CWT via exchange with the Solano County Water Agency.

SB 88

Staff is researching different types of meters and telemetry devices to attached to the Upper Main Pipeline to comply with SB 88 requirements.

Sicard Pipeline Project

MHM is currently doing the survey work to define the final routing of the project.

Blackburn Consulting is performing a geotechnical analysis on the Sicard Ditch to determine the extent of leaks and to help quantify water loss.

PAST MEETINGS

- 10/16/19 The Manager attended a Groundwater Sustainability Committee meeting.
- 10/16/19 The Manager attended a Yuba County IRWMP meeting.
- 10/16/19 The Manager met with Mike Filice, Al Lassaga and Jeff Maupin to discuss the IRWMP process.
- 10/18/19 The Manager met with Uma Hinman to discuss the 2019 EAP Functional Exercise in Nevada City.
- 10/18/19 The Manager met with the Coughlin family to discuss the solar project in Nevada City.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 10/30/19 The Manager will attend a Yuba River Endowment Meeting in Marysville.
- 11/01/19 Staff is having an internal EAP training to prepare for the functional exercise on November 15, 2019.
- 11/05/19 The Personnel Committee is meeting with the Union to discuss the MOU.

- 11/06/19 Staff is meeting with Peterson Brustad to discuss the technical memo for the Sicard Pipeline project.
- 11/14/19 The Personnel Committee is meeting with the Union to discuss the MOU.

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

Upper District

BVID crew readied the conduit for the installation of the gas line for the new generator, also assisted pulling the new line through.

The operations crew have been busy with many call outs of plugged screens due to the windy conditions.

The Operations Manager met with Blackburn Consulting on the Sicard Ditch to assist with accessing difficult areas on 10/17 and 10/21 for geotechnical work.

Responded to an after-hours callout on Bald Mountain Road due to a broken service.

Lower District

Pumpline is running 48 cfs.

The Flow meters have been repaired and reinstalled at the Pumpline Canal lift station.

Upcoming tasks

Crew will begin new service installation on Ashwood Lane.

Place concrete for new lean-to building.

Mechanically clean District ditch system.

Complete the road crossing of Scott Forbes Road.

5. Director's Comments and Reports: None

6. Correspondence: None

7. Closed Session: Update the Board on labor negotiations involving Directors Bordsen and Maslan (Personnel Committee) and Operating Engineers #3 and take action as appropriate; Government Code sections 54954.5 (f) and 54957.6.

8. Open Session: The Board will report any action taken in closed session. No action taken.

9. Adjournment: President Wheeler adjourned the meeting at 5:50pm