# LINDMORE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

# **April 13, 2021**

# Roll Call and Acknowledgement of Visitors

This meeting is being held via video conference due to the Governor's Order regarding the Covid-19 pandemic protocol. Public had access via the agenda notice which had the call-in procedures detailed on it.

President Arnold called the meeting to order @ 2:00 p.m.

Directors Present: Arnold, DePaoli, Milanesio, Brownfield, Reynolds

**Directors Absent:** 

Others present: Hagman (GM), Romero (Staff Engineer), Bennett (Senior Analyst), Aubrey

Mauritson (Counsel joined at 3 PM); Mary Watson; Bryce McAteer

# **Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda for the meeting was presented and the following action was taken:

Motion: To approve the agenda for April 13, 2021 Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting as provided –  $1^{st}$  DePaoli and  $2^{nd}$  Milanesio – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

#### **Public Comment**

Mary Watson made a presentation to the Board summarizing her work and education history.

#### **Minutes**

The minutes were presented for the February 9, 2021 Lindmore Irrigation District regular Board meeting. After discussion, the following action was taken:

Motion: To approve the minutes of the March 9, 2021 Regular Board meeting and the March 25, 2021 Emergency Board meeting  $-1^{st}$  Milanesio and  $2^{nd}$  Brownfield - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

#### **Prior/New Action Items**

#### A. Report on Prior Board actions/discussions

*Operation and Maintenance Report:* Romero reported on staff operations and maintenance efforts. Staff is working on meter and line repairs. The JB2 replacement is finished, and everything went well after resolving the problem created by the power lines that are next to the worksite.

Water Supply Report: District's carryover remains at 1,123 AF plus 143 AF from a trade with the San Joaquin River Restoration Program. The USBR has not announced any change to the 20% (6,600

AF) allocation to Friant Contractors. Total USBR allocation and other reserves is currently totaled at 7,866 AF. Discussion will occur later in the agenda on an allocation and rate.

District Improvement Projects: Romero and Hagman reviewed the upcoming projects.

Recharge Basin Development: Hagman reviewed with the Board the land purchase agreements.

Personnel Policies and Employment Agreement: Hagman stated there were no updates for this project.

Job Description - Field Supervisor: No action on this issue.

Staffing, Office Space, Vehicles: Romero reported no action on this issue.

Vehicle Purchase: Still no action on purchasing the small SUV for the District Vehicle Pool.

#### **B.** New Action Items

Resolution 2021-04: Approving Friant Water Authority MOU regarding FKC Middle Reach Capacity Correction Projection District Contributions. The meeting went into Closed Session to discuss the legal variances at 2:38 p.m. and came out at 2:50 p.m. No reportable action was taken in closed session. The following action was taken after coming out of closed session:

Motion: To adopt Resolution No 2021-04 A Resolution of the Lindmore Irrigation District Board of Directors Approving Friant Water Authority Memorandum of Understanding Regarding FKC Middle Reach Capacity Correction Projection District Contributions – 1<sup>st</sup> DePaoli and 2<sup>nd</sup> Brownfield – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Review Escrow Instructions and Purchase sell Agreement: Hagman provided an extensive review of the agreement with the Board. There was no action taken.

Miscellaneous Administrative Items: No additional administrative items discussed.

#### C. Finance Issues

Review accounts payable listing and request by staff that the Board ratify the payments made to pay the bills:

Motion: To ratify the payments made to pay the bills as follows: A/P Checks (#14684 – 14751) March 11, 2021 to April 13, 2021 in the amount of \$490,736.38 and payroll for March 2021 in the amount of \$93,449.86 for a total disbursement of \$584,186.24. 1st Reynolds and 2nd Brownfield - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Bennett presented the financial statements and reports and answered questions.

#### Reports and Discussion on meetings attended or other water related business reports:

FWA Issues - Director Brownfield and Hagman reported on FWA issues.

Friant Power Authority (FPA) – President Arnold and GM Hagman updated the Board on its most recent meeting.

East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA) – GM Hagman reported on EKGSA.

Report on Other Meetings/Issues: GM Hagman reported on meetings related to the District, water issues, and or the Friant/CVP.

Temperance Flat MOU – GM Hagman reported no action on this topic since the last meeting

# **CLOSED SESSION:**

- <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEAD NEGOTIATOR</u> agency designated Michael Hagman Potential purchase/sale/lease of Property, Water Rights, or Exchange Programs (Discussion of terms and direction for Lead Negotiator) 198-110-002, 198-110-003, 198-100-006, 198-100-007, and 198-100-008.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)] City of Fresno, et al. v. United States of America, Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 16-1276L
- <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL POTENTIAL LITIGATION</u> [Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)] Number of Potential Cases: Two.

President Arnold called the Board to closed session at 3:35 p.m. and the Board came out of closed session at 3:43 p.m. and announced no reportable action was taken.

# **Correspondence Report:**

Report shared – no action taken.

#### Other Items to be Discussed per 54954.2 (Items not appearing on the Agenda)

No other items were discussed.

#### Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold asked for a motion to adjourn: Motion to adjourn (DePaoli/Reynolds) carried by unanimous vote of those present. Meeting was adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman District Secretary