

# **LINDMORE IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

## **MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING**

**July 11, 2023**

### **Roll Call and Acknowledgement of Visitors**

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

Directors Present: Arnold, Brownfield, Gutierrez, Reynolds

Directors Absent: Milanesio

Others present: Hagman (GM), Hunter (AGM), Bennett (Senior Analyst), Joe Mastro (Cuttone & Mastro CPAs – Remote), Josh Fox (Counsel – Remote), members of the public.

### **Approval of the Agenda**

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

**Motion: To approve the agenda for July 11, 2023, Lindmore Irrigation Board meeting as provided - 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

### **Public Comment**

No public comment.

### **Minutes**

Staff presented the minutes for the June 13, 2023 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting, June 27, 2023 Special District Board meeting and the June 29, 2023 Special District Board meeting; the following action was taken:

**Motion: To approve the minutes of the June 13, 2023, Regular Board meeting, June 27, 2023 and June 29, 2023 Special District Board meetings – 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

### **FY 2022 Audit:**

The FY2022 Audited Financial Statements were presented by Joe Mastro, CPA. Mr. Mastro noted that the opinion notes that the financial statements are fairly stated and after discussion, the following action was taken:

**Motion: To accept the FY2022 Audited Financial Statements – 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

### **CLOSED SESSION:**

- EMPLOYEE EVALUATION – GENERAL [Government Code Section 54957.9]

- 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
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION  
[Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)] - Number of Potential Cases: One.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEAD NEGOTIATOR Michael GM Hagman – Avenue 224 @ Noall Reservoir, easement, lease, purchase, trade. [Government Code Section 54957.6]

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 2:17 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 2:25 pm and again into closed session at 3:29 pm and out of closed session at 3:39 pm. There was no reportable action.

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

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

*Operation and Maintenance Report:* AGM Hunter provided a report on system leaks and status of repairs and maintenance. Report noted that staff expects the current maintenance program schedule to be completed by October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. With the summer heat, operation and maintenance staff have received safety training on prevention of heat illness and heat exhaustion.

*Water Supply Report:* AGM Hunter reported that in June 2023, 8,660 acre-feet were delivered to Lindmore ID.

*District Water Recharge Projects:* AGM Hunter reported on district recharge projects and noted that 1,546.64-acre feet were delivered to Lindmore recharge facilities in June. A total of 2,886.85 AF was delivered to District basins since January 1, 2023.

*Kaweah Subbasin surface water purchasing effort (discussion and direction):* GM Hagman reported on the status of this water purchasing effort.

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

*Administrative Items:* Nothing to report.

#### **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 (#16194 – 16259) June 14, 2023 to July 11, 2023 in the amount of \$1,086,425.99 and payroll for June 2023 in the amount of \$113,840.66 for a total disbursement of \$1,200,266.65 - 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

Senior Analyst Bennett reviewed the financial statements and reports.

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

*FWA Issues* – AGM Hunter reported on Friant meetings, noting the third quarter general member call-for-funds was approved to go out and the middle reach construction activities are on schedule.

*Friant Power Authority (FPA)* – President Arnold noted there was no FPA meeting in June.

*East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA)* – GM briefly reported on the EKGSA activities.

*Review upcoming Meetings Calendar:* All upcoming meetings are covered.

**Correspondence Report:**

GM Hagman reported that the annual report for the 2022 Water Management Plan was submitted and the 2020 plan update that was put on hold by the USBR because of the pandemic is being updated now.

**Other Items to be Discussed per 54954.2 (Items not appearing on the agenda)**

No action.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 3:39 pm.

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Michael D. Hagman  
District Secretary