

# LINDMORE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

January 11, 2022

### 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.

Vice-President DePaoli called the meeting to order @ 2:00 p.m.

Directors Present: Arnold (zoom), DePaoli, Milanesio, Brownfield, Reynolds

Directors Absent:

Others present: Hagman (GM), Hunter (Program Manager) Romero (Staff Engineer), Bennett (Senior Analyst), member 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 January 11, 2022, Lindmore Irrigation Board meeting as provided - 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Brownfield – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

### Public Comment

No public comment

### Minutes

The minutes were presented for the December 14, 2021, Lindmore Irrigation District Regular Board meeting and the December 22, 2021, Emergency Board meeting. After discussion the following action was taken:

**Motion: To approve the minutes of the December 14, 2021, Regular Board meeting– 1<sup>st</sup> Milanesio and 2<sup>nd</sup> Brownfield – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

**Motion: To approve the minutes of the December 22, 2021, Emergency Board meeting– 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reynolds – 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.

*Water Supply Report:* The USBR declared another 10% allocation on December 21<sup>st</sup>; the district delivered 392-acre feet to reservoirs in December. Hagman noted we received 7.5 inches of rain by the end of December which is close to 70% of annual rainfall.

*District Improvement Projects:* Hagman/Romero updated that Board on the Projects.

*Recharge Basin Development:* Hagman/Romero reported on the status of the recharge basin engineering work.

*Flyway Grant Application:* Hagman reported that the CEQA has been circulated and January 17, 2022 is the end of the comment period. At the time of this meeting, there were no comments.

*Shared Resources Agreement with EKGSA:* Hagman updated the Board on agreement with EKGSA noting that EKGSA approved \$145,000.00 for Program Manager, Chris Hunter. His time will be split 5% for Lindmore ID and 95% EKGSA.

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

*Staffing & Office Space Update:* Hagman discussed with the Board the plan for providing office space for Chris Hunter.

*Date for meeting with Lindmore ID Landowners:* The Board discussed setting a date and decided that Mike should set a date and notify Lindmore ID landowners.

*Land Exchange:* Hagman reported that this item is being held off.

## **B. New Action Items**

*Winter Projects:* Staff reported on the District projects. No action taken.

*Miscellaneous Administrative Items:* Bennett noted that the Farm Show was the week of the February board meeting. The Board moved the February 8, 2022 Board meeting to February 15, 2022 at 12:00 PM and the decision was made to hold the landowners' meeting right afterwards at 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM.

## **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 (#15162 – 15210) December 15, 2021 to January 11, 2022 in the amount of \$195,051.82 and payroll for December 2021 in the amount of \$100,869.25 for a total disbursement of \$295,921.10. 1<sup>st</sup> Arnold and 2<sup>nd</sup> Milanesio - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

Bennett reviewed the financial statements and reports and answered questions from the Board.

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

*FWA Issues* – Director Brownfield and GM Hagman updated the Board on the activities at FWA.

*Friant Power Authority (FPA)* – Director Arnold reported there was no Board meeting for FPA in December.

*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:**

- 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: Two.

There was no closed session.

**Correspondence Report:**

No action.

**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, Vice-President DePaoli asked for a motion to adjourn: Motion to adjourn (Reynolds/Brownfield) carried by unanimous vote of those present. Meeting was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

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Michael D. Hagman  
District Secretary