

LINDMORE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

March 14, 2023

Roll Call and Acknowledgement of Visitors

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

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

Directors Absent:

Others present: Hagman (GM), Hunter (AGM), Bennett (Senior Analyst), 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 March 14, 2023, Lindmore Irrigation Board meeting as provided - 1st Reynolds and 2nd Brownfield – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Minutes

Staff presented the minutes for the February 13, 2023 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting; the February 16, 2023 – Emergency Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting; the March 3, 2023 – Emergency Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting. After discussion, the following actions were taken:

Motion: To approve the minutes of the February 13, 2023, Regular Board meeting; the February 16, 2023, Emergency Board meeting and the March 3, 2023, Emergency Board meeting – 1st Gutierrez and 2nd Brownfield – 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 Hagman – Avenue 224 @ Noall Reservoir, easement, lease, purchase, trade. [Government Code Section 54957.6]

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 2:04 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 3:39 pm. It was announced that there was no reportable action taken in closed session.

Prior/New Action Items

A. Report on Prior Board actions/discussions

Operation and Maintenance Report: Hagman reported on maintenance projects.

Water Supply Report: Hagman reviewed water supply report for February and the Board discussed the water rates that were set at the March 3, 2023 Emergency meeting. After discussion, the following action was taken:

Motion: To decrease the per acre foot water rate for the 2023 water year base rate from \$105.00 to \$80.00 until further notice - 1st Reynolds and 2nd Brownfield – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

District Water Recharge Projects: Hunter reported on the ongoing recharge projects and noted the tTem study has been canceled for the Hirabayashi facility because of wet conditions.

CVP/Delta Tour: Hagman and Board members discussed the upcoming tour and discussed arrangements.

Annual Landowner BBQ: No action taken.

B. New Action Items

Kaweah Subbasin surface water purchasing: Nothing to report.

Miscellaneous 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 (#15934 – 16002) February 14, 2023 to March 14, 2023 in the amount of \$814,568.83 and payroll for February 2023 in the amount of \$109,902.98 for a total disbursement of \$924,471.81 - 1st Brownfield and 2nd Milanesio - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Bennett briefly noted on the financial statements and reports.

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

FWA Issues – AGM Hunter and Director Brownfield reported on Friant meetings.

Friant Power Authority (FPA) – President Arnold reported that there was no FPA meeting in February.

East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA) – GM Hagman had nothing to report.

Review upcoming Meetings Calendar: All upcoming meetings are covered.

Correspondence Report:

No action.

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 4:37 pm.

Michael D. Hagman
District Secretary