

# LINDMORE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

January 09, 2024

### 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)

### Approval of the Agenda

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

**Motion: To approve the agenda for January 9, 2024, 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reynolds – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

### Public Comment

No public comment.

### Minutes

- a. Staff presented the minutes for the December 12, 2023 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting and the following action was taken:

**Motion: To approve the minutes of the December 12, 2023, Regular Board meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Milanesio and 2<sup>nd</sup> Brownfield – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

- b. Staff presented the minutes for the December 26, 2023 – Lindmore Irrigation District Special Board meeting and the following action was taken:

**Motion: To approve the minutes of the December 26, 2023, Regular Board meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Guterrez – 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 2:03 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 2:38 pm noting that there was no reportable action.

### Prior/New Action Items

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

*Operation and Maintenance Report:* AGM Hunter reported on winter extraordinary projects. To date, 2.5 miles of pipe has been replaced. Major work is 90% complete, and minor work is 65% complete. All projects are on schedule for completion.

*Water Supply Report:* GM Hagman reviewed the December 2023 water report. Friant is scheduled to return water by the end of January.

*District Water Recharge Projects:* Hunter reported on projects, noting that though there have been challenges with the State Water Board and the 401-permit process on the Lewis Creek Siphon, the project is on schedule. All other projects are completed.

*Kaweah Subbasin surface water purchasing effort (discussion and direction):* No discussion/no action taken.

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

*Administrative Items:* GM Hagman reviewed the impacts the groundwater related projects have had on the district financial position. The 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue lease will be recorded on the balance sheet as an asset at the agreed upon future purchase price.

#### **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 (#16590 – 16640) December 13, 2023 to January 9, 2024 in the amount of \$963,737.15 and payroll for December 2023 in the amount of \$132,997.57 for a total disbursement of \$1,096,734.72 - 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reynolds - 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:**

*Friant Water Authority (FWA)* - Director Brownfield and GM Hagman provided a report on FWA issues

*Friant Power Authority (FPA)* – Director Arnold noted there was no meeting in December but there is a distribution check coming.

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

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

**Correspondence Report:**

Nothing to report.

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

No action. AGM Hunter provided a report on discussion with the County regarding Char Lake.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 4:26 pm.

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Michael D. Hagman  
District Secretary