

# LINDMORE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

March 12, 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), Mauritsen (Counsel), 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 12, 2024, 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

- a. Staff presented the minutes for the February 13, 2024 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting; the February 20, 2024 and February 27, 2024 Special Lindmore Irrigation District Board meetings and the following action was taken:

**Motion: To approve the minutes of the February 13, 2024, Regular Board meeting and the February 20, 2024 and February 27, 2024 Special Lindmore Irrigation District Board meetings, 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reynolds – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

### CLOSED SESSION:

- EMPLOYEE EVALUATION – GENERAL MANAGER  
[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.

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 2:02 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 2:22 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 the system was fully operational and delivered 1,917 acre-feet in February – with only 8 acre-feet delivered to date in March as the new water year starts with a 1.1 acre-foot per acre allocation.

*Water Supply Report:* GM Hagman reviewed the February 2024 water report and the Bureau of Reclamation’s agreement to carryover 17% Friant Class 1 supply into this next water year. He noted that the Bureau is still expecting districts to have carryover down to 12% by the end of April.

*District Water Recharge Projects:* AGM Hunter reported on the Lewis Creek project noting that though the 401-permit process on the Lewis Creek Siphon, has been completed, there is now another challenge with DWR about the receipt for the permit. He now expects the project to be delayed another 30 days. All other projects are completed.

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

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

*Resolution 2024-01: Certifying to the County of Tulare the Validity of the Legal Process Used to Place Direct Charges on the Secured Tax Roll:* After discussion, the following action was taken:

**Motion: To approve Resolution 2024-01 Certifying to the County of Tulare the Validity of the Legal Process Used to Place Direct Charges on the Secured Tax Roll, 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Milanesio – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

*Removing Assessed Parcel from District tax rolls:* Item tabled. No action taken.

*V-Gutter for Corp Yard:* GM Hagman shared his discussion with contractor about installing V-Gutter in the Corp yard. No action taken.

*Annual Landowner BBQ:* Board and staff determined the BBQ would be the first Friday of June – June 7<sup>th</sup>.

*Administrative Items:* No action taken.

### **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 (#16712 – 16777) February 14, 2024 to March 12, 2024 in the amount of \$427,370.46 and payroll for February 2024 in the amount of \$119,853.42 for a total disbursement of \$547,223.88 - 1<sup>st</sup> Gutierrez and 2<sup>nd</sup> Brownfield - 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)* – FWA report was in closed session.

*Friant Power Authority (FPA)* – Director Arnold and GM Hagman reported that the Quinten Luallen Power Plant is running and the estimate for power revenue this calendar year is \$1.2M.

*East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSa)* – GM Hagman gave a brief report on the EKGSa activities and the update on the GSP.

*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 taken.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 3:21 pm.

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Michael D. Hagman  
District Secretary