

LINDMORE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

June 12, 2018

Roll Call and Acknowledgement of Visitors

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

Directors Present: Adam, Arnold, Brownfield, DePaoli, Milanesio

Directors Absent:

Others present: Hagman (GM), Bennett (Senior Analyst), Mauritsen (Counsel)

Approval of the Agenda

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

**Motion: To approve the agenda for June 12, 2018 as provided
1st Milanesio and 2nd Brownfield - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those
present**

Public Comment

Members of the Board, Staff and the Public were invited to comment; no comment was provided.

Minutes

The minutes were presented for the May 8, 2018 Regular Board meeting and the following action was taken:

**Motion: To approve the minutes of the May 8, 2018 Regular Board meeting as
presented
1st DePaoli and 2nd Brownfield - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those
present**

Prior/New Action Items

A. Report on Prior Board actions/discussions

Operation and Maintenance Report: GM Hagman reported on staff operations and maintenance efforts.

Water Supply Report: GM Hagman reported on the USBR actions since the prior meeting of the Board. He explained that due to the speed of the snow melt runoff in the San Joaquin Watershed, uncontrolled season (UcS) was called on April 6, 2018 and it was to end on May 10, 2018. He explained that when uncontrolled season ended all remaining URF and Carryover water would be lost to the river. GM Hagman stated that

he moved all the water out of Millerton that was allocated to the District prior to the end of UcS. In-District demand was higher than a typical May, but demand within the District was not enough to move the water into Lindmore ID boundaries. Frustration was expressed by Board members that we had growers using groundwater instead of taking surface supply. Because the water had to be moved or lost, GM Hagman sold it to other districts. Total income from the sales was about \$340,000.

GM Hagman stated that when the UcS ended, the USBR lowered the allocation to 85% of Class 1. In the month of May, the District delivered some of its current year C1 supply and now has 24,110 AF available for delivery to growers from June 1 to the end of the irrigation season. Assuming a loss of 3% of the 24,110 AF, the District has 23,387 AF to deliver to 25,250 acres or .92 AF per acre. Since there is a chance that the USBR will raise the allocation to 90% C1, GM Hagman recommends staying at .85 AF per acre grower allotment. His thinking was that if the USBR doesn't move to 90% C1, we can move it to .90 AF per acre and if the USBR does raise the C1 supply to 90%, we can raise the grower allocation to 1.00 AF per acre. In this way we avoid making two changes.

District Improvement Projects: GM Hagman presented the status of the currently approved engineering activities in the District (Groundwater Basin Work, City of Lindsay Exchanges and JB Rehabilitation projects).

Micro Basin Installment Effort: GM Hagman reported that one of the two private well sites have been installed and results are dismal. We are expecting to install the other one in the next week or two. We hope it will be better.

B. New Action Items

Grant purpose review: GM Hagman reported that staff will be developing a grant with Necmi Sanli doing the technical piece. The stated purpose of the grant we will apply for is developing efficiency in water or power use. Staff will be developing a grant on a project that will cost something less than \$200,000 and the grant will fund up to \$75,000. The District will be financially responsible for the balance of the costs (\$125,000). It was explained that the grant could be submitted and if the Board did not want to proceed with the project once funding was awarded they could decline the award. The Board asked staff to proceed.

Resolution 2018-02 – Resolution Ordering Even-Year Board of Director Elections, Consolidation of elections, and Specification of the Election Order: Adoption of this resolution sets Board Seat elections in November, directs the County to consolidate our elections with the County, and sets the order of the elections. After some discussion the following action was taken:

Motion: To adopt Resolution 2018-02

1st DePaoli and 2nd Milanesio - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present

Miscellaneous administrative items: GM Hagman noted no accidents and no loss time injuries/illnesses at the District this past month.

- C. 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 (numbers 12949 – 12966, {12967-12989 VOIDED}, 12990-13032) for May 09, 2018 to June 12, 2018 in the amount of \$523,769.86, and payroll for May 2018 in the amount of \$75,669.57 for a total disbursement of \$599,433.43.

1st Adam and 2nd Brownfield - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present

D. Financial Reports

Senior Analyst Bennett presented the financial statements and reports and asked the Board if there were any questions on the financial documents provided. She answered the questions that were asked.

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

Administrative Report: GM Hagman noted he had nothing to report.

FWA Issues –Director Brownfield and GM Hagman reported open session items of the FWA.

Friant Power Authority (FPA) – President Arnold and GM Hagman reported on FPA activities.

East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA) – Director Milanesio and GM Hagman reported on EKGSA activities.

Report on Other Meetings/Issues: GM Hagman reported on meetings related to the District, water issues, and or the Friant/CVP.

Meetings Attended/to Attend: GM Hagman reminded the Board of the meetings they have between today and the next Board 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

The Board went into closed session at 3:05 PM and came out at 3:17 PM. President Arnold noted that there was no reportable action taken in closed session.

Correspondence Report:

None

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, President Arnold asked for a motion to adjourn: Motion to adjourn (DePaoli/Milanesio) carried by unanimous vote of those present. Meeting was adjourned at 3:20 pm.

Michael D. Hagman
District Secretary