#### 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,  $1^{st}$  Milanesio and  $2^{nd}$  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> Guiterrez – 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

- <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL POTENTIAL LITIGATION</u> [Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)] - Number of Potential Cases: One.
- <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEAD NEGOTIATOR Michael GM Hagman</u> 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  $2^{nd}$  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.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

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

#### February 13, 2024

#### **Roll Call and Acknowledgement of Visitors**

President Arnold called the meeting to order @ 2:00 p.m. Directors Present: Arnold, Brownfield, Gutierrez, Reynolds Directors Absent: Milanesio Others present: Hagman (GM), Hunter (AGM) 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 February 13, 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 January 9, 2024 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting and the following action was taken:

## Motion: To approve the minutes of the January 9, 2024, Regular Board meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez – 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
- <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL POTENTIAL LITIGATION</u> [Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)] - Number of Potential Cases: One.

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 3:25 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 4:20 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 and noted staff successfully completed all the projects and the system was fully operational on February 5<sup>th</sup>.

*Water Supply Report:* GM Hagman reviewed the January 2024 water report and the Bureau of Reclamation's agreement to carryover 17% Friant Class 1 supply into the next water year. There was considerable discussion on the BOR's conditions for carrying over water and GM Hagman provided a 2023 water delivery analysis for the discussion.

*District Water Recharge Projects:* Hunter reported on the Lewis Creek project noting that though there have been challenges with the State Water Board and the 401-permit process on the Lewis Creek Siphon, he expects the project to remain 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

Removing Assessed Parcel from District tax rolls: Item tabled for another meeting. No action taken.

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 (#16641 – 16711) January 10, 2024 to February 13, 2024 in the amount of \$295,382.58 and payroll for January 2024 in the amount of \$137,285.89 for a total disbursement of \$432,668.47 - 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez - 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 in closed session.

*Friant Power Authority (FPA)* – Director Arnold noted there has been no estimate for power revenue for this calendar year.

*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.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 4:20 pm.

#### February 20, 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 February 20, 2024, Lindmore Irrigation Special Board meeting as provided -  $1^{st}$  Reynolds and  $2^{nd}$  Brownfield – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

#### **Public Comment**

No public comment.

#### **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
- <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL POTENTIAL LITIGATION</u> [Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)] - Number of Potential Cases: One.

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 2:01 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 3:22 pm. There was no reportable action.

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

No action.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 3:22 pm.

#### February 27, 2024

#### **Roll Call and Acknowledgement of Visitors**

President Arnold called the meeting to order @ 3:00 p.m. Directors Present: Arnold, Brownfield, Gutierrez, Milanesio, Reynolds Directors Absent: Others present: Hagman (GM), Hunter (AGM)

#### Approval of the Agenda

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

Motion: To approve the agenda for February 27, 2024, Lindmore Irrigation Special Board meeting as provided -  $1^{st}$  Reynolds and  $2^{nd}$  Guiterrez – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

#### Public Comment

No public comment.

#### Board to consider setting the landowner water allocation

Hagman presented to the Board the recent USBR allocation and the potential of future rainfall and impacts to the USBR allocation. Hagman recommended that the Board consider at least 1 AF per acre. Noting that this would likely be the bottom end of the potential allocation from the USBR due to the fact that the upcoming storms were likely to add more water in the mountains for runoff. After substantial discussion, the following action was taken:

### Motion: To set the landowner irrigation prorate to 1.10 acre-feet per acre for the 2024 water year, 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Guiterrez – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

#### Board to consider setting water rate on allocated water

Hagman reviewed the budget with the Board. The Board asked for iterations of District rates and allocations from the USBR. After substantial iterations of rates and allocations, the following action was taken:

Motion: To reduce the currently approved rate set in 2016 from \$295.00 an acre foot to a rate of \$200 an acre foot for the 2024 water year, 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Guiterrez – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

#### **CLOSED SESSION:**

• EMPLOYEE EVALUATION – GENERAL MANAGER [Government Code Section 54957.9]

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 3:56 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 4:20 pm. There was no reportable action.

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

No action.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 4:20 pm.

#### 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), Mauritson (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
- <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL POTENTIAL LITIGATION</u> [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.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

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

#### April 9, 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), Mauritson (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 April 9, 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 March 12, 2024 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting and the following action was taken:

## Motion: To approve the minutes of the March 12, 2024, Regular Board meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Brownfield – 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
- <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL POTENTIAL LITIGATION</u> [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 106 acre-feet in March.

*Water Supply Report:* GM Hagman reviewed the March 2024 water report, and the Bureau of Reclamation increased the allocation to 95% Class 1 with a potential for URF Class 2. Districts must use their carryover water before using URF. 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 was a delay with the review process. Construction is anticipated to begin May 1<sup>st</sup>. All other projects are completed.

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

Annual Landowner BBQ assignments: President Arnold opened the discussion for who would bring food to the BBQ and how it would be organized this year.

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

2024-2027 Unreleased Restoration Flow Agreement: GM Hagman presented the agreement and after discussion, the following action was taken - the board directed Hagman to sign the agreement

Motion: To approve and sign the 2024-2027 Unreleased Restoration Flow Agreement, 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Brownfield – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

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 (#16778 – 16830) March 13, 2024 to April 9, 2024 in the amount of \$731,075.34 and payroll for March 2024 in the amount of \$122,221.77 for a total disbursement of \$853,297.11 - 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and  $2^{nd}$  Reynolds - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

GM Hagman 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 provided by Hagman/Hunter/Brownfield. Review was provided in the staff report.

*Friant Power Authority (FPA)* – Director Arnold and GM Hagman reported there was no FPA board meeting in March. Review provided in the staff report.

*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.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 3:48 pm.

#### May 14, 2024

#### **Roll Call and Acknowledgement of Visitors**

President Arnold called the meeting to order @ 2:00 p.m. Directors Present: Arnold, Gutierrez, Milanesio, Reynolds Directors Absent: Brownfield Others present: Hagman (GM), Hunter (AGM), Bennett (Analyst), Mauritson (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 May 14, 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 April 9, 2024 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting and the following action was taken:

## Motion: To approve the minutes of the April 9, 2024, Regular Board meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Milanesio and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reynolds – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

#### **FY 2023 Audit:**

The FY2023 Audited Financial Statements were presented by Joe Mastro, CPA. He provided a review of the audit report for the board and noted the written opinion states that the financial statements are fairly stated. After questions and comments the following action was taken:

Motion: To accept FY2023 Audited Financial Statements - 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez – 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
- <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL POTENTIAL LITIGATION</u> [Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)] - Number of Potential Cases: One.

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 2:12 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 2:27 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 with a few small repairs needed and delivered 3,129 acre-feet in April.

*Water Supply Report:* GM Hagman reviewed the April 2024 water report, and the Bureau of Reclamation's increased the allocation to 100% Class 1 with a Class 2 allocation of 5%. Districts must use their carryover water before using URF. He noted that Lindmore met the reduction of carryover by the end of April that the USBR required.

*District Water Recharge Projects:* AGM Hunter reported that the Lewis Creek project started construction on May 1<sup>st</sup> and the first test flows were on May 7<sup>th</sup> with 30 cfs being released. All other projects are completed.

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

Annual Landowner BBQ assignments: Short discussion on the BBQ. No action taken.

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

Consider flooring options and costs in the Conference Room: No action taken.

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 (#16831 – 16901) April 10, 2024 to May 14, 2024 in the amount of \$770,274.33 and payroll for April 2024 in the amount of \$123,178.35 for a total disbursement of \$893,452.68 -  $1^{st}$  Reynolds and  $2^{nd}$  Gutierrez - 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 provided by Hagman/Hunter. Review was provided in the staff report.

*Friant Power Authority (FPA)* – Director Arnold and GM Hagman reported there was no FPA board meeting in April. Review provided in the staff report.

*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.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 3:45 pm.

#### June 11, 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 (Analyst), Mauritson (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 June 11, 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 May 14, 2024 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting and the following action was taken:

Motion: To approve the minutes of the May 14, 2024, Regular Board meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez – 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
- <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL POTENTIAL LITIGATION</u> [Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)] - Number of Potential Cases: One.

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 2:41 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 3:07 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 with ongoing leak repairs needed. Deliveries were 9,745 acre-feet in May with 5,408 acre-feet delivered to Lindmore Recharge facilities and 726 acre-feet to grower recharge ponds. He also reported on the Lewis Creek project that started flows on May 7<sup>th</sup>. GM Hagman showed the board a video from a drone of the entire Lewis Creek project. GM Hagman asked the Board to set a rate for anyone taking Lewis Creek water. After discussion, the following action was taken:

### Motion: To approve the sale of Lewis Creek water at \$120.00 per acre foot, 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Milanesio – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

*Water Supply Report:* GM Hagman reviewed the May 2024 water report, and the Bureau of Reclamation's handling of uncontrolled season for the districts. He noted that the Bureau has reduced the Class 2 allocation to 3% and just extended uncontrolled season to June 14th.

District Water Recharge Projects: Discussed above under the O&M Report.

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

Annual Landowner BBQ: Board and staff discussed last Friday's grower BBQ and what the district might do differently next year as well as all the positive feedback from growers that attended. No action taken.

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

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 (#16903 – 16958) May 15, 2024 to June 11, 2024 in the amount of \$1,233,384.30 and payroll for May 2024 in the amount of \$130,086.59 for a total disbursement of \$1,363,470.89 - 1<sup>st</sup> Milanesio and  $2^{nd}$  Gutierrez - 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 provided by Hunter.

*Friant Power Authority (FPA)* – Director Arnold reported the first FPA board meeting this year will be on June 14th.

*East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA)* – GM Hagman gave a brief update on the EKGSA and on June 13, there will be a special joint board meeting of the three GSAs in the Kaweah subbasin to vote to release the GSP for 30-day public review and adopt the Kaweah Subbasin Mitigation Program with the EKGSA Mitigation Plan.

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.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 4:00 pm.

#### July 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),

#### Approval of the Agenda

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

## Motion: To approve the agenda for July 9, 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 June 11, 2024 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting and the following action was taken:

Motion: To approve the minutes of the June 11, 2024, Regular Board meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Milanesio 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
- <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL POTENTIAL LITIGATION</u> [Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)] - Number of Potential Cases: One.

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 2:05 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 2:30 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 with ongoing leak repairs needed. Deliveries were 8,862 acre-feet in June, and through July 10<sup>th</sup>, July deliveries are 2,762 acre-feet.

*Water Supply Report:* GM Hagman reviewed the June 2024 water report, and the Bureau of Reclamation's handling of uncontrolled season for the districts. Hagman noted that Friant had asked for 80% and 90% Class 1 allocation schedules as the Bureau works through the determination of the remaining allocation from the uncontrolled season.

Motion: For AY 2024, Board directs Hagman to define a "pool shut off" date of August 31, 2024. Landowners are required to turn allocated water into the "pool" by August 31, 2024, or use that supply by February 28, 2025. Any unused water will be billed to the landowner in March.

*District Water Recharge Projects:* AGM Hunter reported that Lewis Creek delivered 1,297-acre feet in May and June. Construction will be completed in August, and a final project completion report will be filled with DWR with request for grant reimbursement.

*Kaweah Subbasin surface water purchasing effort (discussion and direction):* GM Hagman reported that a new effort has gained traction that involves our CVP partners in the Kaweah subbasin and Delta View. Hagman noted that the process is in the early stages and will report details once actionable items are available.

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

*SCADA System Upgrade:* AG Hagman provided a history of Lindmore's SCADA system which was purchased in 2010, noting that no significant updates had been made since the original design. AGM Hunter relayed that due to current limitations in the system, not all staff can access the SCADA system when needed to deliver water. In addition, a review of the hardware and software platform is warranted.

Motion: To allocate up to \$75,000.00 for the purposes of SCADA upgrades. - 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

#### 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 (#16959 – 17013) June 12, 2024 to July 9, 2024 in the amount of \$826,961.01 and payroll for June 2024 in the amount of \$124,259.07 for a total disbursement of \$951.220.08 - 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Milanesio - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

GM Hagman 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 provided by Hagman / Hunter.

Friant Power Authority (FPA) – FPA report was provided by Hagman.

*East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA)* – AGM Hunter provided an update, noting the historical month that June was for the Kaweah Subbasin and EKGSA. The Amended GSP was released for public comment, the Kaweah Subbasin Mitigation Program and each GSA's Mitigation Plan were completed, online webinar and in person public presentations with the SWRCB staff and managers of the GSA were held, in person and online webinar with SWRCB were held, and the GSA provided two tours the SWRCB of the Kaweah Subbasin which highlighted the efforts taken to meet SGMA sustainability goals.

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.

#### **Return to Closed Session**

President Arnold returned the Board into closed session at 3:57 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 4:20 pm noting that there was no reportable action.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 4:20 pm.

#### August 13, 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 (Sr Analyst), Doud (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 August 13, 2024, 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Milanesio – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

#### **Public Comment**

No public comment.

#### **Minutes**

a. Staff presented the minutes for the July 9, 2024 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting and the following action was taken:

Motion: To approve the minutes of the July 9, 2024, Regular Board meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez – 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
- <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL POTENTIAL LITIGATION</u> [Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)] - Number of Potential Cases: One.

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 2:01 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 2:29 pm noting that there was no reportable action.

#### Prior/New Action Items

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

Operation and Maintenance Report: GM Hagman reported the system was fully operational with ongoing leak repairs as needed.

*Water Supply Report:* GM Hagman reviewed the July 2024 water report, and reported the Bureau of Reclamation has declared the allocation to be 90% Class 1 down from 100% allocation. Deliveries were 8,352 acre-feet in July, with 11,387 total acre-feet in district recharge.

*District Water Recharge Projects:* GM Hagman reported that Lewis Creek project is completed and with the final project completion report filed with DWR is the request for grant reimbursement. Other recharge projects are having regular maintenance to be prepared for any upcoming recharge cycle.

SCADA System Upgrades: AGM Hunter provided an update on the SCADA upgrades. Those involved are working through the issues of installing a new virtual server.

*Kaweah Subbasin surface water purchasing effort (discussion and direction):* GM Hagman reported that a new effort has gained traction that involves our CVP partners in the Kaweah subbasin and Delta View. Hagman noted that they are in the process of working out the details and he will keep the board updated.

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

*Resolution 2024-02: Approve the Amended Designated Positions – Biennial Notice on Conflict-of-Interest Code:* Bennett discussed the current Conflict-of-Interest Code for Lindmore ID and the recommendation to add a designated position to Appendix A. After discussion, the following action was taken:

# Motion: To approve Resolution 2024-02: Resolution Adopting the Biennial Notice on Conflict-of-Interest Code - 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reynolds - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

*Reserves for Unpaid USBR Construction Costs:* GM Hagman reported to the board that the USBR will be allocating new reimbursable Construction Costs to CVP Contractors. After a full discussion on what has ensued since Lindmore ID paid off the full amount of these costs in 2009 and options for the district going forward, the board asked for a discussion at the next meeting of our budget and the expected costs through the end of this fiscal year to help possibly establish a reserve.

*Friant Drought Pool:* GM Hagman discussed with the board a new program that the USBR and Friant have developed to "voluntarily" put water in a drought reserve on the westside (Drought Pool) and the options for the district to participate. At this time, GM Hagman has committed LID's share of recaptured water to the Drought Pool and the board agreed that we should participate and continue with placing the recaptured water in the Drought Pool.

*LID Groundwater Recharge Programs/Recharge Credits:* GM Hagman reviewed the district recharge programs, the priorities for recharge and how recharge credits are being managed. The board asked that this agenda item be tabled until next month in order to have some time to review and think of anything that might need to be addressed in the policy.

Administrative Issues: 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 (#17014 – 17086) July 10, 2024 to August 13, 2024 in the amount of \$701,166.85 and payroll for July 2024 in the amount of \$137,683.26 for a total disbursement of \$838,850.11 -  $1^{st}$  Reynolds and  $2^{nd}$  Gutierrez - 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 provided by Director Brownfield and GM Hagman in closed session.

*Friant Power Authority (FPA)* – FPA report was provided by Director Arnold and GM Hagman. They noted that the payments from the FPA will be diminishing as the year progresses.

*East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA)* – AGM Hunter provided an update and reported that the online credit manager had an issue that they are resolving as quickly as possible. He also noted that Scott Maskell has scheduled workshops on the Dashboard for the next couple weeks on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 4:04 pm.

#### **September 10, 2024**

#### **Roll Call and Acknowledgement of Visitors**

President Arnold called the meeting to order @ 2:00 p.m. Directors Present: Arnold, Brownfield, Gutierrez, Milanesio (left at 3:00 pm), Reynolds Directors Absent: Others present: Hagman (GM), Hunter (AGM), Bennett (Sr Analyst), Doud (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 September 10, 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 August 13, 2024 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting and the following action was taken:

Motion: To approve the minutes of the August 13, 2024, Regular Board meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Milanesio 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
- <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL POTENTIAL LITIGATION</u> [Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)] - Number of Potential Cases: One.

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 3:40 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 4:04 pm noting that there was no reportable action.

#### **Prior/New Action Items**

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

*Operation and Maintenance Report:* GM Hagman reported the system was fully operational with ongoing leak repairs and replacing or adding meters and valves as needed.

*Water Supply Report:* GM Hagman reviewed the August 2024 water. Deliveries were 6,617 acre-feet in August, with 11,387 total acre-feet in district recharge.

*District Water Recharge Projects:* GM Hagman reported that there was an onsite construction completion inspection with DWR and MKGSA at the Lewis Creek project. It is completed and with the final project completion report filed with DWR is the request for grant reimbursement.

*SCADA System Upgrades:* GM Hagman noted that we may be able to use our current server and update it for the SCADA upgrades. Those involved are working through the issues of installing a new virtual server.

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

*Reserves – Discussion on managing reserves:* GM Hagman suggested this could be discussed with the FY2025 Budget under B. New Action Items

*District Groundwater Recharge Programs: Policy development:* This item is tabled until counsel has policy to review.

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

*Draft GM FY2025 Budget:* GM Hagman gave a detailed review of the draft FY2025 Budget with consideration of the need for new reserves and probable revenues from water deliveries. After review of the draft budget, GM Hagman explained the board needs to set a hearing date to review the budget before the public, take comments and consider adoption. He also explained that an adopted FY2025 budget will be the basis of the FY2025 Assessment that the Board will also consider adopting at a future Board of Equalization hearing. After discussion, the following action was taken:

## Motion: To set a FY2025 Budget Hearing date for October 8, 2024 - 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

*Set Board of Equalization date:* GM Hagman reported that the district assessment needs to be approved in October before the County of Tulare sends out the assessments. He recommended the Board set a Board of Equalization date. After discussion, the following action was taken:

### Motion: To set the Board of Equalization date for October 8, $2024 - 1^{st}$ Brownfield and $2^{nd}$ Gutierrez – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present

Administrative Issues: 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 (#17087 – 17142) August 14, 2024 to September 10, 2024 in the amount of \$402,965.13 and payroll for August 2024 in the amount of \$134,992.40 for a total disbursement of \$537,957.53 - 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez - 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 provided by Director Brownfield and AGM Hunter. They both commented on the FWA Board postponing the approval of the FY2025 OM&R Budget mostly due to public comments regarding some of the costs in the budget. Director Brownfield noted how the budgets have also been increasing due to rising costs to maintain the 73 year-old canal built to last 50 years.

*Friant Power Authority* (FPA) – FPA report was provided by GM Hagman. They noted that the payments from the FPA will be diminishing as the year progresses.

*East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA)* – GM Hagman provided an update and reported that staff and partners are working on to address the SWRCB designated deficiencies in 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.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 4:04 pm.

#### October 8, 2024

#### **Roll Call and Acknowledgement of Visitors**

President Arnold called the meeting to order @ 2:00 p.m. Directors Present: Arnold, Brownfield, Gutierrez, Reynolds Directors Absent: Milanesio Others present: Hagman (GM), Hunter (AGM), Bennett (Sr Analyst), Doud (Counsel), Rynsburger, 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 October 8, 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 September 10, 2024 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting and the following action was taken:

## Motion: To approve the minutes of the September 10, 2024, Regular Board meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Brownfield – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

#### **CLOSED SESSION:**

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 2:25 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 3:14 pm noting that there was no reportable action.

#### **Prior/New Action Items**

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

*Operation and Maintenance Report:* GM Hagman reported that cleanup on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue is completed, and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue is almost done. There was considerable discussion on the drywells that will be installed at the 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue recharge basin.

*Water Supply Report:* GM Hagman reviewed the September 2024 water report. Deliveries were 4,029 acre-feet in September.

*District Water Recharge Projects:* AGM Hunter reported that Lewis Creek project is completed with the final payment being made to Superior Ag. The final project completion report is filed with DWR with the request for grant reimbursement.

*SCADA System Upgrades:* AGM Hunter noted that the upgrade is behind schedule. We are still on the old SCADA system as they test and work through the problems that have come up with the new system.

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

*Reserves – Discussion on managing reserves:* GM Hagman suggested this could be discussed with the FY2025 Budget under B. New Action Items

*District Groundwater Recharge Programs: Policy development:* This item continues to be tabled until counsel has policy to review.

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

**HEARING - Proposed General Manager Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Budget:** President Arnold opened the hearing at 3:25 pm. GM Hagman gave a detailed review of the proposed FY2025 Budget with updates on the need for new reserves and revenues from water deliveries. GM Hagman answered questions and after discussion, President Arnold closed the hearing at 3:47 pm. The following action was then taken:

Motion: To adopt the Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Budget as presented - 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION** – (**Board to set Rate for CY2025 Assessments**): The Board sat as an Equalization Board to review the adopted budget and consider setting a land-based assessment. GM Hagman reviewed how the assessment is equivalent to, or less than, the rate passed by a vote of the district membership and set in resolution on November 16, 2017. The rate is based on the amount of the fixed costs that were approved in the FY2025 Budget. FY2025 assessment is capped at \$104.13 per acre. After discussion, the following action was taken:

### Motion: To set the FY2025 Assessment rate at \$104.13 per acre – 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present

Year End Maintenance: AGM Hunter asked the Board to defer this item until the next meeting.

*Administrative Issues:* GM Hagman noted that Director Milanesio is resigning as of the end of 2024 and there is only one applicant, Andy Rynsburger for that board position who will be appointed in lieu of an election.

#### 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 (#17143 – 17194) September 11, 2024 to October 8, 2024 in the amount of \$1,096,148.26 and payroll for September 2024 in the amount of \$130,022.82 for a total disbursement of \$1,226,171.08 - 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds 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 provided by AGM Hunter who commented on a couple open session items. The FWA Board approved the FY2025 OM&R Budget and a 1/7% COLA for staff.

Friant Power Authority (FPA) – No FPA meeting in October.

*East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA)* – GM Hagman provided an update and reported that the EKGSA board set a AY 2025 allocation and approved the 2<sup>nd</sup> further amended GSP for a 30-day public comment period (October 3<sup>rd</sup> to November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024).

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.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 4:08 pm.

#### November 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 (Sr Analyst), Doud (Counsel), Rynsburger, 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 November 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 October 8, 2024 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting and the following action was taken:

## Motion: To approve the minutes of the October 8, 2024, Regular Board meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Milanesio – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

#### **Closed Session:**

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 2:01 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 that the district delivered 2,517 acre-feet in October for irrigation and continued to repair leaks and replace or add meters. He noted there was a meeting with maintenance staff to discuss the upcoming winter maintenance projects. This started a discussion on prioritizing projects and keep the system up for any available water deliveries.

*Water Supply Report:* GM Hagman reviewed the October 2024 water report noting deliveries to growers and discussion of available carry over water into WY2025.

*District Water Recharge Projects:* AGM Hunter reported that the final invoices and final component completion report was submitted for the Lewis Creek project for reimbursement from the grant.

*SCADA System Upgrades:* AGM Hunter gave a report on the status of the SCADA upgrade noting that the complications installing the new SCADA have not been worked out yet.

*District Groundwater Recharge Programs: Policy development:* This item continues to be tabled until the draft policy has been reviewed.

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

*Year-Round Operations:* GM Hagman discussed the difficulties of keeping the district system running with no demand and the need to provide maintenance to the system. There was considerable discussion on how to make the system available to district growers if water becomes available and make all the necessary repairs and upgrades to provide some delivery integrity in the upcoming water year.

*Year End Maintenance:* AGM Hunter reported to the board the process used for determining upcoming projects for year-end maintenance with maintenance staff. They have listed up to 41 projects and determined a budget.

Administrative Issues: No issues discussed.

#### 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 (#17195 – 17258) October 15, 2024 to November 12, 2024 in the amount of \$273,877.21 and payroll for October 2024 in the amount of \$133,128.37 for a total disbursement of \$407,005.58 - 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Milanesio - 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 provided by GM Hagman & Director Brownfield.

*Friant Power Authority (FPA)* – Director Arnold noted in the FPA meeting was an audit and budget presentation.

*East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA)* – GM Hagman reported that the EKGSA board of directors was going to consider approving the GSP tomorrow. He also noted that there have

been several meetings with the State Board and there is a lot of optimism in our subbasin regarding the probationary hearing.

Reports on other meetings attended: No meetings were discussed.

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.

#### **Closed Session:**

President Arnold again called the Board into closed session at 3:43 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 4:06 pm noting that there was no reportable action.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 4:06 pm.

#### December 10, 2024

#### **Roll Call and Acknowledgement of Visitors**

President Arnold called the Lindmore Irrigation District and Lindmore Irrigation District Financing Corporation meeting to order @ 2:01 p.m. Directors Present: Arnold, Brownfield, Gutierrez, Milanesio, Reynolds Directors Absent: Others present: Hagman (GM), Hunter (AGM), Doud (Counsel), Rynsburger, Vollmer (Notary) 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 December 10, 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 November 12, 2024 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting and the following action was taken:

Motion: To approve the minutes of the November 12, 2024, Regular Board meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Reynolds and 2<sup>nd</sup> Gutierrez – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

#### **Oath of Office:**

Director Arnold and Director Rynsburger were sworn into office by Vollmer by the appointment of the Tulare County Board of Supervisors.

#### Lindmore Irrigation District, Officers of the Board:

Motion: To appoint John Arnold as President, Michael Brownfield as Vice President, Michael Hagman as Secretary / Treasurer, Scott Maskell as Assessor / Collector for the 2025-2026 term. 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reynolds – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

#### **Closed Session:**

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 2:58 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 3:30 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 completed the dewater of system and the winter maintenance activities were 28% complete.

*Water Supply Report:* GM Hagman reviewed the November 2024 water report noting deliveries to growers and discussion of available carry over water into WY2025.

*District Water Recharge Projects:* AGM Hunter reported that the final invoices and final component completion report was submitted for the Lewis Creek project for reimbursement from the grant.

*SCADA System Upgrades:* AGM Hunter gave a report on the status of the SCADA upgrade noting that consultants were scheduled to be on site December 16, 2024 to resolve issues.

*District Groundwater Recharge Programs: Policy development:* Counsel Doud provided a brief update on the policy and the Board asked Hagman to send it out to them for their review. The Board thought maybe a special meeting is in order for this subject. The Board determined that at the next Board meeting they would have reviewed Counsel's legal brief and then they could discuss the need for a special meeting then. Action on this item was further tabled to the next board meeting.

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

*Year End Maintenance:* AGM Hunter GM noted report previously provided un the Operation and Maintenance

Administrative Issues: No issues discussed.

#### 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 (#17259 – 17310) November 13, 2024 to December 10, 2024 in the amount of \$251,439.36 and payroll for November 2024 in the amount of \$125,425.24 for a total disbursement of  $376,864.60 - 1^{st}$  Reynolds and  $2^{nd}$  Gutierrez - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

General Manager Hagman 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 provided by GM Hagman & Director Brownfield.

*Friant Power Authority (FPA)* – Director Arnold noted in the FPA meeting was an audit and budget presentation.

*East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA)* – GM Hagman reported on the status of the cancelled SWRCB hearing for the Kaweah Basin.

Reports on other meetings attended: No meetings were discussed.

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, Vice-President Brownfield adjourned the meeting at 4:15 pm.