

LINDMORE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

November 9, 2021

Roll Call and Acknowledgement of Visitors

This meeting is being held via video conference due to the Governor's Order regarding the Covid-19 pandemic protocol. Public had access via the agenda notice which had the call-in procedures detailed on it.

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

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

Directors Absent:

Others present: Hagman (GM), Romero (Staff Engineer), Bennett (Senior Analyst), Aubrey Mauritsen (Legal Counsel)

Approval of the Agenda

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

Motion: To approve the agenda for November 9, 2021, Lindmore Irrigation Board meeting as provided - 1st DePaoli and 2nd Reynolds – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Public Comment

No public comment

Minutes

The minutes were presented for the October 12, 2021, Lindmore Irrigation District Regular Board meeting. After discussion the following action was taken:

Motion: To approve the minutes of the October 12, 2021, Regular Board meeting – 1st Brownfield and 2nd DePaoli – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Prior/New Action Items

A. Report on Prior Board actions/discussions

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

Water Supply Report: The USBR declared another 5% allocation on October 31st that increased the allocation to 25%. Lindmore ID has already brought the system down but still draining 5th Avenue. Due to major repairs in the que so it is imperative that we not want to bring the system back up. The 5% allocation will be delivered to the Lindmore ID reservoirs. District delivered 1,791 AF to growers in October.

District Improvement Projects: Hagman/Romero updated that Board on the Projects.

Recharge Basin Development: Hagman/Romero reported on the status of the recharge basin engineering work and the Management Service Agreement (MSA) and the Task Orders (TOs) were signed with Provost and Pritchard.

Flyway Grant Application: Hagman reported that the basin is in the environmental assessment phase at this time and the work is managed in the MSA and Task Orders identified in the Recharge Basin Development.

Personnel Policies and Employment Agreement: Hagman stated there were no updates for this project.

Staffing Update: Hagman reported there are no updates this month.

B. New Action Items

Shared Resources Agreement with East Kaweah GSA: Hagman provided a report to the Board noting that both EKGSA and Lindmore ID were very satisfied with the shared services. Hagman reviewed the Addendum to Agreement for Management and Administrative Services. This addendum was developed jointly by each agencies legal counsel. Hagman noted that the Addendum was allowed by the original agreement if only the contract period or rates of payment were changing. This is the case on this addendum, the rate of compensation is proposed to increase \$10,000 each of the next to contract periods for 2022 & 2023. After discussion, the following action was taken:

Motion: To continue the Shared Resources Agreement and approve the Addendum was made by Director DePaoli, seconded by Director Reynolds - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Winter Projects: Staff reported on the projects that are slated for winter repairs.

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 (#15052 – 15096) October 12, 2021 to November 9, 2021 in the amount of \$343,944.43 and payroll for October 2021 in the amount of \$90,444.17 for a total disbursement of \$434,388.60. 1st Milanesio and 2nd Brownfield - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Bennett reviewed the financial statements and reports and answered questions from the Board, she noted she was available at any time to discuss the accounting activities.

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

FWA Issues – Director Brownfield and GM Hagman updated the Board on the activities at FWA. Both are planning to attend the upcoming FWA Retreat.

Friant Power Authority (FPA) – Director Arnold reported on the potential purchase of PG&E facilities. He noted that there isn't much to talk about because it was a closed session item on the FPA level as they determine if they would provide a proposal to purchase the property.

East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA) – GM Hagman reported on EKGSA.

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

Temperance Flat MOU – GM Hagman reported no action on this topic since the last 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
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION
[Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)] - Number of Potential Cases: Two.

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 3:15 pm and the board came out of closed session at 4:04 pm and announced that no reportable action was taken in closed session.

Correspondence Report:

No action.

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 (Reynolds/Brownfield) carried by unanimous vote of those present. Meeting was adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman
District Secretary