

LINDMORE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

January 6, 2023

Roll Call and Acknowledgement of Visitors

President Arnold called the meeting to order @ 1:01 p.m.

Directors Present: Arnold, Brownfield, Milanesio, Reynolds

Directors Absent:

Others present: Hagman (GM), Hunter (AGM), 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 January 6, 2023, Lindmore Irrigation Board meeting as provided - 1st Reynolds and 2nd Milanesio – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Public Comment

No public comment.

USBR Friant Operations Call (Microsoft Teams)

Board attended the monthly USBR Friant Operations call where USBR Area Manager, Michael Jackson, P.E. provided update on Friant CVP supplies. Jackson noted that Friant CVP allocations were increased by 5%, going from 30% to 35%, an increase of 160 TAF to 200 TAF of Class 1 uncontrolled, and reduced the availability of uncontrolled season to February 10, 2023. Though supplies are available, Jackson has not issued 215 contracts. Jason Phillips, Friant Water Authority CEO informed the attendees that the Friant Kern Canal would be operational on January 25th, but flows are limited to 1450 cfs through the middle reach.

Public present at the LID Special Board meeting inquired Hagman about the late allocation and the decision process to install a turnout for the City of Porterville given the impacts to Lindmore ID ability to utilize 10th Ave. Hagman informed the public that all CVP contractors aggressively pursued an additional allocation during the summer when it was apparent that there were available supplies in Millerton. Hagman personally sent an email to Area Manager Jackson to inform him of the impacts of a last-minute allocation would cause and implored an expedited release in the summer months when Friant Contractors could maximize the benefits of the supplies. In regard to the turnout to Porterville, Lindmore was not notified of the project and was not aware that the project would prevent the use of 10th Avenue.

Water Supply Issues

Hagman provided status report on the Lindmore delivery system. 1st Avenue is down due to planned maintenance. 10th Avenue is down for maintenance and there are no FKC supplies available due to City of Porterville turnout installation. 5th Avenue is operational but has a planned downtime for the installation of a junction box and valve which will allow for diversions to the 5th Avenue Recharge Project.

Board directed Hagman to keep 5th Avenue operational until January 28th and then drain down for the installation of the junction box and valve. 10th Avenue is scheduled to be available April 1, 2023. 1st Avenue and 10th Avenue are to be repaired and ready to deliver water on January 28, 2023. All landowners are to be notified by letter sent out by January 10, 2023.

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

No action.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Arnold adjourned the meeting at 3:19 pm.

Michael D. Hagman
District Secretary