

# LINDMORE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

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
- 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 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<sup>nd</sup> 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.

**Adjourn**

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

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Michael D. Hagman  
District Secretary