

# LINDMORE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

July 13, 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

Directors Absent: Reynolds

Others present: Hagman (GM), Romero (Staff Engineer), 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 July 13, 2021, Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting as provided – 1<sup>st</sup> DePaoli and 2<sup>nd</sup> Milanesio – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

### Public Comment

No public comment

### Minutes

The minutes were presented for the June 8, 2021, Lindmore Irrigation District Regular Board meeting. After discussion, the following action was taken:

**Motion: To approve the minutes of the June 8, 2021, Regular Board meeting – 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Milanesio – 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. There is substantial damage to Lindmore ID's 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue line. Staff will need outside help to solve that problem and have reached out to Vollmer to assist. Staff continues to prioritize leaks and maintain the lines for operations.

*Water Supply Report:* The USBR has not changed the allocation from 20%. There is still the potential that the allocation for the Friant division could go down to 15% as water may be needed from Friant

to satisfy the Exchange Contractors allocated supply, but there are several ideas being presented to hopefully keep that from happening. District delivered 916 AF in June.

*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.

*Flyway Grant Application:* Hagman reported the Flyway Grant was being submitted with staff recommendation to the Wildlife Conservation Board for approval of the \$400,000 grant. This money will essentially pay for one of the basins on the new property being purchased.

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

*Job Description – Field Supervisor:* No action on this issue.

*Staffing, Office Space, Vehicles:* Romero reported that the grading is completed at the Lindmore ID maintenance yard and decomposed granite will be brought in for parking and driving areas.

*Review Escrow Instructions and agreement for land purchase:* Hagman reported everything is complete. No action taken.

## **B. New Action Items**

*Resolution 2021-06: Authorizing Signatories to the Bank of the Sierra General Checking Account:* Hagman reported that the Bank of the Sierra requested a resolution for authorized signatories. With one of the check signers retiring, it is necessary to update account signers on the Bank of the Sierra account. All checks for accounts payable draw from this account. The following action was taken:

**Motion: To approve Resolution 2021-06 Authorizing Signatories to the Bank of the Sierra General Checking Account. – 1<sup>st</sup> Brownfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Milanesio – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

*Audited Financial Statements of Lindmore ID Employee Purchase Pension Plan:* Hagman provided the background for Lindmore ID's audit of the pension plan. He noted a few things in the audit, one being there were no exceptions for FY2020. The Board had copies in their advance packets to review and after discussion, the following action was taken:

**Motion: To accept the Audited Financial Statements for Lindmore ID's Employee Purchase Pension Plan. – 1<sup>st</sup> DePaoli and 2<sup>nd</sup> Brownfield – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

*Miscellaneous Administrative Items:* No additional administrative items 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 (#14830 – 14889) June 10, 2021 to July 13, 2021 in the amount of \$342,343.00 and payroll for June 2021 in the amount of \$90,521.01 for a total disbursement of \$432,864.01. 1<sup>st</sup> DePaoli and 2<sup>nd</sup> Brownfield - Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.**

Bennett presented the financial statements and reports and answered questions.

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

*FWA Issues* – Director Brownfield and GM Hagman

*Friant Power Authority (FPA)* – No meeting was held for FPA. Staff provided the revenue sheet to the Board

*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 LEAD NEGOTIATOR agency designated Michael Hagman – Potential purchase/sale/lease of Property, Water Rights, or Exchange Programs (Discussion of terms and direction for Lead Negotiator) 198-110-002, 198-110-003, 198-100-006, 198-100-007, and 198-100-008.
- 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 3:55 pm and the board came out of closed session at 4:05 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 (DePaoli/Brownfield) carried by unanimous vote of those present. Meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

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Michael D. Hagman  
District Secretary