

LINDMORE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

August 08, 2023

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), Bennett (Senior Analyst), Aubrey 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 August 8, 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.

Minutes

Staff presented the minutes for the July 11, 2023 – Regular Lindmore Irrigation District Board meeting, and the following action was taken:

Motion: To approve the minutes of the July 11, 2023, Regular Board meeting, 1st Brownfield and 2nd Reynolds – 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
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION
[Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)] - Number of Potential Cases: One.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEAD NEGOTIATOR Michael GM Hagman – Avenue 224 @ Noall Reservoir, easement, lease, purchase, trade. [Government Code Section 54957.6]

President Arnold called the Board into closed session at 3:00 pm and the Board came out of closed session at 4:06 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 on operations, system leaks and status of repairs and maintenance. The July Board Report noted that staff expects to have the maintenance plan for the scheduled downtime completed by September 1, 2023.

Water Supply Report: GM Hagman reported that in July 2023, 11,050 acre-feet were delivered to Lindmore ID.

District Water Recharge Projects: GM Hagman reported on district recharge projects and noted that 1,282-acre feet were delivered to Lindmore recharge facilities in July. A total of 4,169 AF has been delivered to District basins since January 1, 2023.

Kaweah Subbasin surface water purchasing effort (discussion and direction): GM Hagman had nothing to report.

B. New Action Items

Consider – Resolution 2023-06: Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Lindmore Irrigation District approving the Cooperative Agreement for the Implementation of the New Guidelines for Accepting Water into the Friant-Kern Canal: GM Hagman reported that the Friant division districts have been working on this agreement for a long time and it is now ready for final approval. After discussion, the following action was taken:

Motion: To approve Resolution 2023-06: Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Lindmore Irrigation District approving the Cooperative Agreement for the Implementation of the New Guidelines for Accepting Water into the Friant-Kern Canal, 1st Reynolds and 2nd Brownfield – Motion passed by unanimous vote of those present.

FY2024 Manager's Draft Budget: GM Hagman reviewed with the board the draft FY2024 budget that he prepared. He will bring it to the board in the September 12th meeting for review and the board will then set a budget hearing date. No action taken.

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 (#16260 – 16328) July 12, 2023 to August 08, 2023 in the amount of \$1,493,013.13 and payroll for July 2023 in the amount of \$116,361.04 for a total disbursement of \$1,609,374.17 - 1st Milanesio and 2nd 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:

FWA Issues –GM Hagman reported on Friant meetings and noted the water from the Friant-Kern Canal will be off on November 10th.

Friant Power Authority (FPA) – President Arnold noted there was no FPA meeting in July.

East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (EKGSA) – GM 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.

Adjourn

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

Michael D. Hagman
District Secretary