

**COUNTY OF VENTURA
AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ACTION MINUTES – OCTOBER 12, 2011**

1. 1:00 P.M. – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER.

2. WELCOME NEW MEMBER.

Bob Pinkerton welcomed Scott Deardorff, District 1 appointment, to the APAC Committee and gave a brief overview on his background.

3. ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE.

Committee Scott Deardorff, District 1
Roll Call: Sanger Hedrick, District 2, Vice Chair
 Bob Pinkerton, District 3, Chairman
 Charles Schwabauer, District, 4
 Will Doyle, District 5

Ex-officio: Henry Gonzales, Agricultural Commissioner
(non-voting) Rose Hayden-Smith, UC Farm Advisor

Committee
Present: Deardorff, Hedrick, Pinkerton, Schwabauer, Doyle

Ex-officio
Present: Henry Gonzales

Staff/Others Present: Nancy Parker, Susan Johnson, and Rudy Martel, VC Agricultural Commissioner's Office; Julie Bulla, Land Use Consultant, Rob Roy, VCAA; Lynn Jensen, VC COLAB; Jeanette Lombardo, California Women of Agriculture; Jan Osterhaven, Supervisor Parks' Office; and various attendees, including: Lou Nagy, Bruce Reeds, Michael Price, Tim Cohen, Josh Pinkerton, Ed McFadden; Bob Braitman, Gus Gunderson, Sid White, Don Jensen, Tom McGrath, Flavio Fumerodo, Danny Pereira, Bud Sloan, Rex Bartle, Rich Atmore, Dave White, Rob Frost, Daryl Smith, Lara Leslie, Bert Lamb, and Nathan Borin. Others may have been present and did not sign in.

4. COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

None.

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Motion: Approve agenda as shown.
By Schwabauer; seconded by Hedrick
Vote: 5-0

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

Julie Bulla, Land Use Consultant, made a comment regarding a Public Hearing that will be occurring at the Board of Supervisors Meeting on October 25th regarding Hagle Lumber.

7. CONSENT ITEM.

A. Approve Minutes of August 17, 2011
Motion: Approve.
By Hedrick; seconded by Schwabauer
Vote: 5-0

8. ADVISORY MATTERS.

A. Grading Ordinance – Phil Nelson, Public Works.

Phil Nelson gave a PowerPoint presentation and overview of changes made to the Grading Ordinance. There were several questions from the gallery regarding the proposed ordinance, and how it will affect farmland and agriculture.

APAC Committee members discussed what was presented and provided the following recommendations:

- Emphasis that presentation is an informational, status update report and is still a work in progress needs to be clearly stated.
- The Ag. Technical Advisory Group (ATAG) and Public Works state need to continue meeting and definitely review and coordinate on each draft Grading Ordinance prior to release and/or Board presentation.
- Allow time to fully coordinate actions between staff and ATAG. Move November 22 date to December 13, or further out, pending Draft 10 coordination with the Public Meeting.
- For ATAG members and stakeholders, identify problematic areas quantifiably; e.g., time, cost, practicality, impact to your operations, and financial planning considerations.

In addition, APAC wishes to commend staff and the Ag. Technical Advisory Group for their dedication and commitment throughout this process.

Motion: To accept all as proposed.

By Hedrick; seconded by Doyle.

Vote: 5-0

9. COMMUNICATIONS.

A. Committee. None.

B. Staff. None.

C. Confirm Future Meeting Dates. November 9, December (no meeting), January 11.

10. MEETING ADJOURNMENT.

Motion: To adjourn at 2:30 p.m.

By Pinkerton; seconded by Deardorff

Vote: 5-0