

COUNTY OF VENTURA
AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes –May 13, 2015

1. 9:07 am – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

Committee: Scott Deardorff, District 1
Sanger Hedrick, District 2, Chair
Gordon Kimball, District 3
Patty Waters, District 4 (absent)
Will Doyle, District 5

Ex-officio: Henry Gonzales, Agricultural Commissioner
(Non-voting) Christopher M. Smith, PhD/Director, University of California Cooperative
Extension for Ventura County (absent)

3. STAFF/OTHERS PRESENT: Henry Gonzales, Korinne Bell and Greta Varien from the Ventura County Agricultural Commissioner's Office (VCAC); Jennifer Welch and Winston Wright from the Ventura County Resource Management Agency, Planning Division. Others may have been present but did not sign in.

4. COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Scott Deardorff inquired about Patty Water's absence and whether or not changing the meeting would help.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- Agenda Item E, Presentation by Kim Prillhart, Planning Director for the Resource Management Agency, was moved to a future meeting.

Motion: Approve agenda
By Doyle; seconded by Deardorff
Vote: 4 – 0

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

- None

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Henry Gonzales, Ventura County Agricultural Commissioner, apologized for lateness of the Minutes due to lack of staffing

Motion: Approve April minutes.

By Doyle; seconded by Kimball

Vote: 4 – 0

8. PRESENTATION/ACTION

A. Staff provided an overview of the revisions made to the Bylaws at the April meeting.

Motion: Approve Revisions to APAC Bylaws with addition of Code Section.

By Deardorff; seconded by Doyle

Vote: 4 – 0

B. Henry Gonzales provided an invasive species update.

- Changes in the ACP Trapping Program
- Korinne Bell provided an update on the PSHB Trapping Program

C. Jennifer Welch provided an overview of the Ventura County Coastal Zoning Ordinance update and proposed a draft definition of “Crop Production” to be included in Coastal Zoning Ordinance.

- Committee and Staff suggested changes to the definition and recommended simplifying the definition
- Jennifer Welch will provide a revised draft of the definition to the VCAC, once approved by Planning Management
- Henry Gonzales suggested APAC provide a letter of recommendation on the definition once revised

D. Korinne Bell provided an overview of the issues associated with Agricultural Contractor Service and Storage Yards and suggested the APAC provide parameters to help define this term.

- Winston Wright provided additional background on this topic
- APAC directed staff to provide a draft definition to bring back to APAC

9. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Proposals for future agenda items

- 1) Hagel Lumber
- 2) Update on the Nutrient Management Plan for the Santa Clara River Basin

B. Confirm future meeting dates:

June 10, 2015

July 8, 2015

10. Meeting adjourned by Sanger Hedrick at 11:05 pm