



AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

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Greg Boeger, Chair – Agricultural Processing Industry
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Bill Draper – Forestry Related Industries
Ron Mansfield – Fruit and Nut Farming Industry
Tim Neilsen, Livestock Industry
John Smith – Fruit and Nut Farming Industry

MINUTES

November 13, 2013

6:30 P.M.

Board of Supervisors Meeting Room
330 Fair Lane – Building A, Placerville

Members Present: Bacchi, Boeger, Smith, Walker, Draper, Neilsen

Members Absent: Mansfield

Ex-Officio Members Present: Charlene Carveth, Agricultural Commissioner

Media Members Present: None

Staff Members Present: LeeAnne Mila, Deputy Agricultural Commissioner
Aaron Mount, Community Development/Planning
Chris Flores, Sr. Agricultural Biologist
Myrna Tow, Clerk to the Agricultural Commission

Others Present: Gail Eldridge, Trevor Albertson, Kathie Albertson, Maria Brugger

I. CALL TO ORDER

- Chair, Greg Boeger, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Mr. Walker, and seconded by Mr. Bacchi, to approve the Agenda of November 13, 2013 as submitted.

- Chair, Greg Boeger, called for a voice vote for approval of the Agenda of November 13, 2013

AYES: Bacchi, Smith, Walker, Boeger, Neilsen, Draper
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mansfield

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Neilsen, and seconded by Mr. Walker, to approve the Minutes of August 14, 2013 as submitted.

- Chair, Greg Boeger, called for a voice vote for approval of the Minutes of August 14, 2013.

AYES: Bacchi, Smith, Walker, Boeger, Neilsen,

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mansfield

ABSTAIN: Draper

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

No comments were received

- V. WAC 13-0006 (Neher, Alesha)** – Request for a partial roll-out to Ag Preserve #285, removing parcel number 070-210-32, and application to amend existing contract for remaining three parcels; APNs 070-131-56, 070-131-59, and 070-210-55. The parcels are located on the west side of Ponderosa Road, approximately 2.5 miles north of the intersection with US Highway 50, in the Shingle Springs area. (District 4)

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends APPROVAL of the applicant's request for a partial roll-out/non-renewal of parcel number 070-210-32, removing it from WAC # 285, as the parcel does not contribute to the agricultural production of the contract and APPROVAL of WAC 13-0006, amending WAC # 285 for the three remaining parcels (APN's 070-210-55, 070-131-56, and 070-131-59) as the minimum Williamson Act Contract criteria for a high intensive agricultural operation is being met.

Williamson Act Contract Criteria for a High Intensive Farming Operation per the County of El Dorado:

1. Minimum Acreage – twenty (20) contiguous acres. – *Remaining parcels would consist of 66 acres, with approximately 30 acres of wine grapes and approximately 37 acres of grazing land.*
2. Capital Outlay - \$45,000 – *Capital outlay improvements to the property are reported at over \$45,000 for vineyard installation costs, fencing, etc.*
3. Minimum Annual Gross Income - \$13,500 – *Annual gross income reported is \$60,000+ for wine grape production.*

It was moved by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Walker to recommend APPROVAL of Alesha Neher's request for a partial roll-out/non-renewal of parcel number 070-210-32, removing it from WAC # 285, as the parcel does not contribute to the agricultural production of the contract and APPROVAL of WAC 13-0006, amending WAC # 285 for the three remaining parcels (APN's 070-210-55, 070-131-56, and 070-131-59) as the minimum Williamson Act Contract criteria for a high intensive agricultural

operation is being met.

Motion passed

AYES: Smith, Walker, Draper, Neilsen, Bacchi, Boeger

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mansfield

VI. LEGISLATION AND REGULATORY ISSUES- Charlene Carveth

I. CORRESPONDENCE and PLANNING REQUESTS – Charlene Carveth

- **Agricultural Commissioner Concurrence of Ag Setback Relief-Sandell**
- **Memorandum on Lot 24 of Southfork Ranch Development-reduction of agricultural setback**
- **Updates on two projects approved by the Board of Supervisors previously heard by Ag Commission. Thompson Ranch and Surfside Hawaii, Bob Clarke**

VII. OTHER BUSINESS – Charlene Carveth

- **Farm to Fork Future/ Sacramento Bee**
- **SACOG Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy update**
- **Protect Local Growers Campaign**
- **Agricultural pests update**

VIII. ADJOURNMENT 7:30pm

APPROVED: Greg Boeger, Chair

DATE: April 9, 2014