



AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Ken Oneto – Orchards, Vineyards, Row Crops
Brad van Loben Sels – Farm Management
Jim Vietheer – Livestock
Michael Wackman – Natural Resources; Wineries

Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2019 6:30 pm

Valley Oak Room
4137 Branch Center Rd.
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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Agricultural Advisory Committee Chair Ken Oneto called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Campbell, Charlotte Mitchell, Ken Oneto, Brad van Loben Sels, and Jim Vietheer

MEMBERS ABSENT: Morgan Doran, Doug Dransfield, Brian Fishback, and Michael Wackman

STAFF PRESENT: Chris Flores (Agricultural Commissioner), and Laura McCready (Clerk of the Committee)

ALSO PRESENT: Layne Baroldi, Tammy Castillo, Greg Gasaway, Bruce MacLeod, Leanne Mueller, Gary Silva, Rebecca Sloan, and Andrew White.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The November agenda was presented to the Board for approval. Jim Vietheer motioned to approve the agenda and was seconded by Charlotte Mitchell. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The September Committee Meeting minutes were presented to the Board for approval. Jim Vietheer motioned to approve the minutes as presented. It was seconded by Ken Oneto. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

4. **APPROVAL OF 2020 MEETING CALENDAR:**

The 2020 meeting calendar was presented to the Board for approval. It was noted that the July meeting date was incorrect, and was amended to July 8th. Brad van Loben Sels motioned to approve the meeting calendar as amended. It was seconded by Steve Campbell. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – None received.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. PLNP2017-00199; Operating Engineers (OE3) Training Center:

Leanne Mueller with Sacramento County Planning and Environmental Review presented details regarding the request to modify an existing Williamson Act contract to build an on-site training center. The proposal before the Committee was to initiate cancellation of a 25 acre portion of an existing Williamson Act Contract (No. 69-AP-035) to build an Operating Engineers Training Campus, continue the non-renewal of 80 acres of existing Williamson Act contract due to non-compatibility reasons, and re-enter into a new Williamson Act contract for the remaining 1,395 acres. After hearing from the applicant, the Committee members discussed the merits of the proposal.

A motion was made by Charlotte Mitchell to recommend the approval of the Williamson Act cancellation for the 25 acre campus site, the continuation of the non-renewal of 80 acres, and to re-enter into a Williamson Act contract for the remaining 1,395 acres. It was seconded by Brad van Loben Sels. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. (See attached AAC recommendation)

B. PLNP2017-00270; Silva Ranch Biosolids Use Permit Amendment:

Leanne Mueller presented details regarding the request to renew an existing Use Permit to allow the continuation of spreading and disking of municipal biosolids. The proposal before the Committee was a Use Permit Amendment to renew existing Use Permit 04-UPB-0427. The Use Permit Amendment included the following changes: 1) the overall amount of material that could be spread annually would be reduced to 160,000 tons, 2) biosolids spread adjacent to public roads would be required to be incorporated into the soil within six hours, 3) spreading and incorporation would not be allowed if wind speeds exceeded 25 miles per hour, 4) sanitary facilities would be provided to personnel, and 5) groundwater monitoring would occur within one year of permit approval. The Committee members took comments from the applicant, then discussed the merits of the proposal.

A motion was made by Charlotte Mitchell to recommend the approval of the Use Permit Amendment to renew the existing Use Permit with the proposed additional conditions. It was seconded by Jim Vietheer. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. (See attached AAC recommendation)

7. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

C. Sacramento County Agricultural Commissioner Report:

Chris Flores informed the Committee on the current events in the Department.

- Chief Deputy Interviews are on November 15th. There are 4 candidates. Hopefully the position can be filled by the middle of December to the first of January.
- The Department hosted a Pest Control Business Pesticide Enforcement Training. There were 80 attendees. 3.5 hours of Continuing Education credits were offered for attending and the class was free. The goal is to continue this training once a year.
- Our office has a new Ag Detection K-9 named Kurnel. He's a chocolate lab, and we hope he does well.

- D. Committee Member Comments:** It was requested by Ken Oneto that the Committee receive a presentation on the Williamson Act.

8. ADJOURNMENT

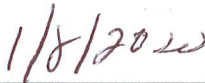
The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m. The next meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Committee will be held on January 8, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting minutes prepared by Laura McCready, Agricultural Advisory Committee Clerk,
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES



Ken Oneto, Chair



Date