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Agriculture Advisory Board

Minutes

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March 10, 2015

Called to order, 7 pm

Present: Esta Cohen, Chair, Sam Groce (NCCES), Sharon Day, Dr. J. Dykers, Ronnie Vaughn, Tandy Jones, Robin Kohanowich, Joseph Wachs. Walter Petty, Board of Commissioners liaison with the Agriculture Advisory Board

Absent: Larry Harris, Chip Price, Justin Brooks

Call to order, 7pm

Old Business

Minutes from previous meeting, February 10, 2015 were approved. Motion for approval by Tandy Jones, Sharon Day 2nd; all approved

New Business

No New Voluntary AG District Applications for this month

Other new business:

Tandy Jones reported on his attendance at the planning board meeting sub-committee.

Esta shared her presentation to Planning Board Meeting of March 3, 2015. (*copy attached*). Following that meeting, George Lucier and Brian Bock agreed to seek Ag Advisory Board input on county issues regarding agriculture.

Planning board /BOC are looking at updating the current land use plan and zoning restrictions/ countywide zoning plans. Much discussion followed.

Sam Groce shared an update on the progress of the new building for the agriculture center.

Seeking an increase in Extension funding to cover labor/support.

4 Ag Advisory Board Member terms expiring this June:

Justin Brooks (does not wish to be reappointed)

Joe Wachs

Sharon Day

Robin Kohanowich

New member appointment: (expected) Bobby Tucker, Okfuskee Farm

Meeting adjourned at 8:50

