REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
7:00 pm Monday March 11, 2019
Placer County Planning Commission Hearing Room
3091 County Center Drive, Auburn, CA
County Contact: Joshua Huntsinger

I. CALL TO ORDER: the meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Chair Wayne Vineyard. Roll Call- Present: Patricia Beard, Patrick Bollinger, Jim Brenner, Rich Ferreira, Larry Jordan, John Nitta, Stewart Perry, Wayne Vineyard, and Shanon Whamond.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR March 11, 2019

Moved and Second:
APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM January 14, 2019: Moved and Second: No discussion

III. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

IV. ACTION ITEMS- None

V. INFORMATION ITEMS:

- Overview of Nevada Irrigation District Proposed Auburn Upper Ridgeway Annexation: Laura Peters, Division 4 Director, NID
  a. Read recently received details: proposal will allow future water delivers to 11 parcels requesting annexation. Annexation will not require any infrastructure upgrades by NID as the integration canal is located in close proximity of interested parcels. If and when an annexed parcel requests water service, a meter box will be installed at the closest location to the applicant and the applicant is responsible for getting the service from the box to their property. The proposed annexation contains 11 rural properties, approximately 263 acres, which currently receive no district water service. Annexation will result in the opportunity for properties to establish raw water use and enable land owners to participate in NID district elections. Timeframe for the service is solely at the discretion of the individual land owners, as people want to connect to the system they bring a line out to the box to be connected.
  b. Board members raised concerns and questions. Ms. Peters stated she will obtain the information and convey it to Ed King.
    i. Which ditch and how many square inches total?
    ii. Will there be an impact to current users?
    iii. How long have they been on the waiting list?
iv. Is this for a future housing development?

v. Will this be a board decision?

vi. When will this be decided?

c. Discussion led into availability, waiting lists and fee increases. Laura reported NID is in Prop 218 process to raise rates, expecting possible fee increases of 2.5%. Those concerned about increases must file a protest. A no reply implies a concurrence. Additional increases are planned over the next 5 years.

- **NID / PCWA WATER SUPPLY UPDATES FOR 2019 SEASON**
  a. Laura Peters reported: Storage in reservoirs as of March 4th was at 215,605 square acre feet
  b. Darin Reintjes, PWA reported precipitation and snowpack was well above normal. Reservoirs are keeping storage fairly low preparing for spring runoff from snowpack. Expecting spill sometime this year in the spring.

- **Overview of California’s Pesticide Regulation Program** – Ed King, Deputy Ag Commissioner.
  a. A brief history and overview of pesticide regulations and processes for Federal, State and County.
  b. 2018 statistics of Placer County Agriculture Department of inspections, registrations, enforcements and penalties.
  c. Information on County permits, enforcement and penalty processing through Placer County Ag Commissioner’s office.
  d. Addressed questions submitted by Rich Ferreira

**VI. REPORTS**

- **Agricultural Marketing Program** – Carol Arnold
  a. Remembered Will Morebeck
  b. PlacerGROWN hosting Social Media Courses for Ag Business taught by Patrick Storm of Lemon Tree Agency LLC
     - Social Media 101, Wednesday, March 20 – Free –
     - Smartphone Video, Wednesday, March 27 - $40 fee includes cost of equipment
  c. PlacerGrown is taking over CA GROWN social media for three days in March
  d. In the beginning stages of launching new marketing program “Experience PlacerGrown” which will include farm stands, farmers markets, grocery
outlets and restaurants. Ideas can be shared with Carol carol@placergrown.org
e. Planning Twin Peaks Dinner, partnering with Mulvany’s Building & Loan and will include female chefs.
f. Next meeting plan to present contract renewal

- Economic Development Board – Lyndell Grey, absent
- Livestock and Natural Resources Farm Advisor – Dan Macon, absent. Flyers were distributed for upcoming workshops.
- Horticulture and Small Farms Advisor – Cindy Fake, absent
- Water Supply Update – Josh Huntsinger, absent – update supplied earlier in the meeting.

VII. AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS – Ed King
- CDFA reported an Asian Citrus Psyllid discovery in Sacramento County between Sacramento and Elk Grove. This will bring Sacramento County under quarantine.
- The Apiary Registration Program has begun. All beekeepers are required by law to register in the county.

VIII. General Announcements: Wayne Vineyard
- Will Morebeck memorial is March 30th at the Mt Pleasant Hall
- John Nitta is retiring from the Ag Commission, he will serve through one more meeting. Wayne thanked him for his years of service.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT: 8:00 p.m.
Next Meeting April 8, 2019