MEETING MINUTES January 13, 2021

1. 9:09 a.m. – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

Committee: Sanger Hedrick, District 2, Chair - late
Scott Deardorff, District 1
Gordon Kimball, District 3
Patty Waters, District 4
Bobby Jones, District 5

Staff/Others Present: Ed Williams, Korinne Bell, & Alec Thille from the Ventura County Agricultural Commissioner’s Office were present; members of the public and representatives of interested parties participated via Zoom.

3. CORRESPONDENCE
None.

4. COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS
None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
None.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Motion: Approve agenda as-published
By Kimball, seconded by Waters
Vote: 4-0

7. CONSENT CALENDAR
Motion: Approve and archive December 9th APAC meeting minutes
By Waters, seconded by Jones
Vote: 4-0
8. PRESENTATION/ACTION

A. Agricultural Commissioner staff presented the Somis Fire Station improvements project’s landscape plan to solicit APAC comments on compliance with the urban buffer policy.  
   No action taken.

B. Arnold Torres presented regarding current, proposed state legislation for a guest-worker program in California.  
   No action taken.  

Public Comments:
   a) Jannette Lombardo: Expressed her disagreement with the speaker’s opinion of the UFW and stated that Ventura County is currently incapable of building housing to meet the needs of the proposed program, the federal H2A program already serves the need this program seeks to alleviate, and shipping container housing is un-permittable in Ventura County.

C. Ed Williams, Agricultural Commissioner, presented a department update on activities and programs important to Ventura County agriculture.  
   No action taken.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

A. APAC Members
   None

B. Staff
   Proposals for future agenda items:
   Presentation updating the APAC on the HLB detection dog teams

10. Meeting adjourned by Scott Deardorff at 11:45 a.m.