

**Charlotte County Board Of County Commissioners
Agenda Item Summary**

Item Number: C- 3

1 DEPARTMENT MAKING REQUEST

Commission Office

2 MEETING DATE

10/14/2014 9:00:00 AM

3 REQUESTED MOTION/ACTION

Approve the reappointments and appointment of Agricultural and Natural Resources Advisory Committee members: Reappoint Mr. Andy Dodd as the AG Economics representative and Mr. Harry Orrin Webb as the livestock production representative and Mr. Dan Ryals as the vegetable production representative for four year terms. Mr. David Kemeny was nominated and confirmed by the committee to replace Mr. Brumback who resigned - term will expire December 2016.

4 AGENDA

5 IS THIS ITEM BUDGETED (IF APPLICABLE) -

Budget Action

No action needed.

Financial Impact Summary Statement

Detailed Analysis Attached -

Budget Officer-

6 BACKGROUND (Why is this Action Necessary, and What Action will be accomplished)

ATTACHMENTS:

Name:

Description:

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**AGRICULTURE AND
NATURAL RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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(Nominees provided by Charlotte County Cattlemen's Association and also by the ANRAC. Nominations are forwarded to the BCC for approval and appointment.(four year terms) Created on 10/20/92

	INDUSTRY	APPOINTED	EXPIRATION
Steve Smith Babcock Wilderness Ranch 8000 State Road 31 Punta Gorda, FL 33982 941-639-3958	Range/Timber/Babcock Wildlife Ecology Rep	Aug 2012	Dec 2016
Matthew M. Sullivan Jr. Southern Gulf Citrus Inc. 24341 Captain Kidd Blvd. Punta Gorda, FL 33955	commodity production cattle & row crops	1/20/13	Dec 2016
Daniel Ryals Ryals Citrus & Cattle Co. P. O. Box 127 Ft. Ogden, FL 33842 863-494-3968	commodity production cattle & row crops (Vegetable Prod)	Oct. 2006	Dec. 2014
Andy Dodd 75 Doubloon Drive Cape Haze, FL 33946 697-9883	AG Economics	Oct. 03	DEC 2014
RESIGNED -Wesley Brumback TRB Groves 1802 Alataya Trail Orlando, FL 32828	commodity production row crops (Citrus)	Nov. 2010	Dec 2016
Nigel Morris 9175 Strasse Boulevard Punta Gorda, FL 33982	Rural Land Use/ Environmental Land Rep.	Sept. 2014	Dec 2018
Chris Hencher 30321 Holly Rd. Punta Gorda, FL 33982	AG/Water Mgmt.	Aug 2002	Dec 2016
Harry Orrin Webb PO Box 510481 Punta Gorda, FL 33951-0481	Livestock Production commodity production & row crops	July 25, 2006	Dec., 2014
* RESIGNED-VACANT *Fred Walters, Vice President	AG Realty	RESIGNED 8/2012	Dec.2012

Commissioner Duffy –Liaison — staff
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September 10, 2014

Mr. Andy Dodd
Chairman
Agricultural & Natural Resources
Advisory Committee
Charlotte County Government
18400 Murdock Circle
Port Charlotte, FL 33948

2014 SEP 12 PM 2:55
COUNTY COMMISSION OFFICE

RE: Resignation from Committee

Dear Andy,

Due to the sale of the Charlotte Grove on September 4, 2014, I would like to tender my resignation from ANRAC effective on September 20, 2014.

It has been my pleasure to serve on the committee with you and wish you continued success in the future.

Very truly yours,

Wesley W. Brumback

WWB/hm

Cc: Tricia Duffy

Dillon, Joann

From: Andy Dodd <andydodd@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2014 9:50 AM
To: Dillon, Joann
Cc: Duffy, Tricia; Moore, Gayle
Subject: ANRAC new member
Attachments: WesResignation.pdf; Draft ANRAC Minutes 9.11.14 p3of6.pdf

Joann,
ANRAC approved David Kemeny at our last meeting to fill the unexpired term of Wes Brumback as a commodity production representative for citrus. I have attached the draft minutes of the meeting and a letter of resignation from Mr. Brumback.

Please let me know what additional information you need from Dave. Also Mr. Webb (commodity production, cattle), Mr. Ryals (commodity production, cattle and row crop) and myself (agriculture economics) would like to continue serving. Our terms expire in December 2014.

Thanks

Andy Dodd
Peninsula Property
941/815-7884

Preparing to leave, Ms. Vernon asked if there were any questions on the new earthmoving code, any further questions or concerns. Chair Dodd noted that the only "loss" for AG or mining interests was on the issue of hours of operation, but there are no limitations on the digging, just on trucking the material off-site. Robert H. Berntsson, Esq. commented that there was a lot of compromise; his client couldn't bring trucks in to the site until 6 am so trucks start lining up at 4:30 on the road, which is a hazard. This was on US 41 which had more generous road space whereas this would be a big problem on Rt. 31 or similar roads. Chair Dodd noted that on AG ponds, you can haul offsite as long as you pay the road fee; but on most of our projects, it's not about moving material, it's about getting the pond dug and operational.

Ms. Vernon also add that the law provides for the operator to ask for expanded hours where necessary. Chair Dodd then offered a summary of the new law's high points, and Mr. Berntsson commented that it had been a long road but it was a good ordinance that resulted.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Duffy said it has been quiet because there were no Board meetings in August. At the recent budget meeting hearings, citizens said that the community needs facilities for young people and family; in prior years, the focus was on the reduction in costs associated with landscaping and the like, but that now the County is doing better. Some of the complaints grew out of budget restrictions, but some were related to County sub-contractors who turned out to be low bidders who couldn't handle the work; the solution then is to get a new sub-contractor.

The Commissioner indicated she wants a landscaping project for "gateways and medians" on roads throughout the County, starting with Kings Hwy, and the project was going ahead when they found out that FDOT planned to reconfigure the I-75 intersection. FDOT work would have a negative impact on existing landscaping, so that project can't be done right now. On the other hand, FDOT has offered the possibility of contributing to refurbishing some of the intersections.

Another possible project would be the center median of US 41 but that particular area would need more than just planting; it turned out to be more complex than first thought. However, improvements to the intersection at Gardner and US 41 would be manageable, involving painting and fixing irrigation and changing the trees.

Chair Dodd inquired if the Commission had held steady on millage rate, and Commissioner Duffy responded affirmatively, noting that there is currently more tax revenue due to the property value increase.

❖ New Members, discussion and recommendation to BCC

Chair Dodd discussed the news that Mr. Brumback has resigned and had sold the grove, but that his manager Dave Kemeny would be willing to serve in his place; he also commented on the requirement in the updated ordinance that the Committee have five commodity producers on the Committee, and three of those have to be from either livestock, citrus or row crops. He pointed out that they now no longer have anyone in citrus, so if there is someone willing to serve from that group, that would be good. He indicated he would entertain a Motion on this nomination; motion by Mr. Webb, second by Mr. Smith, unanimously approved to invite Dave Kemeny to take that vacant seat.

Chair Dodd also noted the expiration of terms in December 2014 of Mr. Webb, Mr. Ryals and his own term as well, and reminded all that they have to submit a request to be
