

Minutes
Agricultural & Natural Resources Advisory Committee
Thursday, March 13, 2025 at 9:00 am
E. Jay Carlson Building
Large Conference Room
18400 Murdock Circle
Port Charlotte, FL 33948-1094

MEMBERS PRESENT

Nigel Morris-Chairman
Scott Schroeder-Vice-Chairman
Lindsay Harrington
David Kemeny
Steve Kalaf

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dan Ryals

GUEST SPEAKERS

FPL Update

STAFF

Assistant Morgan Cook – Commission Liaison
Shaun Cullinan, Planning & Zoning Official
Marie Valeus, Administrative Assistant II

GUESTS

Charlotte Miller-FPL
Natalie Vitola-FPL
Jodie Eldridge-FPL
Daniel Lambert-FPL
Andy Dodd-Public
Luis Garcia-Public
James Roell-Public
Joe Lewis-Public
J Ryals-Public

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Quorum determined, March 13, 2025 the meeting of the Agricultural and Natural Resources Advisory Committee was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Nigel Morris

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Nigel Morris would like to add a discussion about old Hudson Ranch plan/US 17 Plan, Lindsay motion for addition, passes to be added.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Nigel Morris, skipped over minutes for approval, will vote in May for January and March minutes.

NEW BUSINESS

FPL-

FPL gives a presentation using map, video and slides.

FPL has 5.9 customers, serve 43 counties ranging from Miami to Pensacola.

FPL has multiple Environmental staff to make sure they are following all the rules.

Babcock Ranch is one of their fully functional FPL facilities.

In Charlotte County FPL owns approximately 12,000 acres 9,500 of that are solar fields.

FPL is made in the USA and outsourced in SE Asia and Vietnam.

FPL tries to leave environmental as much as possible a accommodate wildlife.

Copart Development-

Nigel Morris addresses that AG does not get proper notice of AG changes and would like a better notice.

Lindsay Harrington sent a letter to all Commissioners asking for rule that any changes that can affect AG or natural resources they get notification. Nigel ask Shaun Cullinan what he can update regarding Copart, Shaun says an application was submitted for PD-Planning & Development rezoning. It has not gone to P & Z- Planning and Zoning yet, it goes in April for P & Z.

The ANRAC committee is not in favor of this plan and feel they do not get proper notice.

Shaun says Copart is exercising their right to go to P & Z, everything gets reviewed and goes through the process.

Lindsay Harrington sets a motion that The ANRAC committee is not in favor and wants to submit a letter stating that.

Nigel Morris makes a recommendation for Lindsay to write a letter, David Kemeny seconds the motion, all in favor, passes motion for Lindsay Harrington to write letter. Shaun Cullinan clarifies that the applicants go through a process of the review, staff experts look at everything. Rezoning's take a long time sometimes, but it will go through the process.

Agenda Addition/US 17 Plan-

Shaun Cullinan uses a map to show plan. 2009/2010 is when the plan was first submitted. In April there will be a workshop presentation. Shaun says they will have to buy density. Shaun continues to use map.

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Membership New Applicants-

Nigel Morris moves to approve Kasey Duberry-DAX for membership, Lindsay Harrington move to approve, Scott Schroeder seconds, all in favor, it passes for approval.

Old Business

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

STAFF COMMENTS

MEMBER COMMENTS

What are options to call future special meetings if needed?

FUTURE MEETING TOPICS

Janette Knowlton to come speak regarding Sunshine Law next meeting.

NEXT MEETING

❖ May 8, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the E. Jay Carlson Building large conference room.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Nigel Morris set motion to adjourn, meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.



Chairman

Minutes of the Agricultural & Natural Resources Advisory Committee
Approved this 8 day of may 2025.