



Board of County Commissioners

2401 SE Monterey Road
Stuart, Florida 34996

Agenda Item Summary

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Meeting Date: 2/26/2019

PLACEMENT: Consent

TITLE:

AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Board is asked to confirm appointments to the Agriculture and Natural Resources Advisory Committee.

DEPARTMENT: Administration

PREPARED BY: **Name:** Donna Gordon
Title: Executive Aide

REQUESTED BY: UF/IFAS Extension of Martin County, Liaison

PRESET:

PROCEDURES: None

BACKGROUND/RELATED STRATEGIC GOAL:

This is an Additional Item because the next Committee meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2019.

The Agriculture and Natural Resources Advisory Committee was established on November 24, 2015 and shall have the duty and responsibility to advise the Board of County Commissioners in matters affecting agriculture and natural resources throughout the County, as appropriate. Additionally, the Committee shall prepare an annual report to the Board of County Commissioners, including an update on recent trends in local agriculture and natural resources and a summary of the Committee's activities.

The Agriculture and Natural Resources Advisory Committee shall be comprised of ten-member entities, each of which shall appoint a representative and a designated alternate to be confirmed by the Board of County Commissioners.

The membership is as follows:

- Treasure Coast Chapter of the Florida Nursery, Growers, and Landscape Association
- Martin County Farm Bureau
- Florida Cattleman's Association, Martin County
- Localecopia
- Port Salerno Commercial Fishing Dock Authority

FAU Dupuis Center for Environmental Studies
Audubon of Martin County
Florida Oceanographic Society
Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program
Martin County Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society

If any of the above groups cease to exist or cannot contribute representatives, the Board of County Commissioners shall make such appointments as it determines to be appropriate. The terms of office shall be staggered where five members of the Committee shall be appointed for a three-year term and four members shall be appointed for a two-year term. Thereafter, terms shall be three-year terms. Members may be reappointed for two consecutive renewal terms. **NOTE:** This provision will not be a factor until March 2021 unlike two other committees that have limited terms (Library Board of Trustees and Parks and Recreation Advisory Board).

On June 18, 2013, the Board directed staff to present applications for all advisory board appointments when members are appointed by the Commission or by agencies. The applications for representatives to be appointed as part of this item have been attached.

On January 5, 2018, the Liaison was asked to contact the agencies whose members' terms would expire on March 7, 2019 to determine who they want appointed/reappointed to the Agriculture and Natural Resources Advisory Committee.

Audubon of Martin County - John A. Nelson
Localecopia - Geoffrey Sagrans
Martin County Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society - Joan Bausch
Martin County Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society - Ellen Broderick *alternate*
Martin County Farm Bureau - Ransom Hartman
National Estuary Program - Duane De Freese
FAU Dupuis Center for Environmental Studies - do not wish to participate

The Administration Staff will advise all the applicants of the Commission's decision which includes Sunshine Law information. A Chair letter and Certificate of Appreciation will be mailed to Mr. Hartman thanking him for his service. The Chairman will sign the letter and certificate.

Below are the agencies and their appointments; the terms will begin March 8, 2019 and end March 7, 2022.

Audubon of Martin County - John A. Nelson
Localecopia - Geoffrey Sagrans
Martin County Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society - Ellen Broderick
Martin County Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society - Joan Bausch *alternate*
Martin County Farm Bureau - William R. Taylor
National Estuary Program - Duane E. DeFreese
FAU Dupuis Center for Environmental Studies - do not wish to participate

ISSUES:

None

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW:

This item has been reviewed for legal sufficiency to determine whether it is consistent with applicable law.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECOMMENDATION

Move that the Board confirm the appointments as listed under Background to the Agriculture and Natural Resources Advisory Committee for three-year terms to begin March 8, 2019 and end March 7, 2022 and authorize the Chairman to sign the Resolution of Appointment and letter/certificate.

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

Pull this item from the Consent Agenda and direct staff.

FISCAL IMPACT:

RECOMMENDATION

None

Funding Source	County Funds	Non-County Funds
Subtotal		
Project Total		

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

None

DOCUMENT(S) REQUIRING ACTION:

- ☐ Budget Transfer / Amendment ☒ Chair Letter ☐ Contract / Agreement
☐ Grant / Application ☐ Notice ☐ Ordinance ☒ Resolution
☐ Other:

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