

**HIGHLANDS COUNTY
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Highlands County Zoning Board of Adjustment was called to order at 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 11, 2017, in the Commissioners' Board Room located in the Highlands County Government Center Building, 600 South Commerce Ave., Sebring, Florida.

Members present were: Mr. Howard, Mr. Osborn, Mr. Roberts, Ms. Tiernan, Mr. Travers, and Mrs. Mack, Vice Chairperson. Alternate/Non-Voting Members present were: None. Also present were: Mrs. Sawdy, Zoning Official; Mrs. Culpepper, Planner I; Mrs. BuChans, Planning Supervisor; Ms. Conrad, Zoning Supervisor; and Mr. Macbeth, County Attorney.

Minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved. **Motion carried 6-0.**

6) OLD BUSINESS:

A. HEARING #1811 – DANNIA SANCHEZ AND JESUS MENDOZA

An approximate 5.0-acre parcel located approximately 1.65 miles southwest of E. Arbuckle Rd., 0.90 miles east of CR 64 E, and 2.75 miles west of the Avon Park Bombing Range on the north side of Michon Path; the address being 5151 Michon Path, Avon Park, FL; and abbreviated legal as follows: An approximate 5.0-acre parcel located in Section 10, Township 33 South, Range 29 East, Highlands County, Florida.

The applicant is requesting a special exception to allow off-site farm labor housing, located within 300 feet of lot lines, and exceeding two persons on subject property. Also, to allow commercial activity directly serving agricultural pursuits and limited to the service of agricultural pursuits, specifically to store farm equipment. Mrs. Mack read the request, and Ms. Sanchez and Ms. Conrad presented the request. Mrs. Culpepper read a letter from the Southwest Water Management District stating that the corrective actions required for this property have been adequately completed. There was one letter received and four people spoke opposing the request. Several petitions, signed by 114 people opposing the request, were presented by Mr. King. Motion by Mr. Travers and seconded by Mr. Roberts to deny this request.

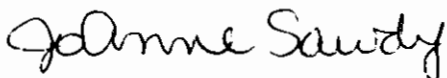
Upon roll call, all members voted yes. **Motion carried 6-0 to deny the request.**

8) ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting shall be held on August 8, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible in the Engineering Training Room, located at 505 South Commerce Ave., Sebring, Florida.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Jo Anne Sawdy
Zoning Official