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CITY OF REDLANDS

CITRUS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Regular Meeting of October 9, 2018 MINUTES

1. Call to order at 4:02 pm - Attendance

Present: Peter Buoye, Chair Absent:

Bill Oesterlein Michael Day

Libb Cook Jack Steward Rolland Moore

QOL Staff: Zach LaBonte

Jocelynn Santa Cruz

Chris Boatman, QOL Director

Farming/Packing companies: Chuck Hills Guests: Dennis Bell

2. Public comments:

None forthcoming.

3. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the June 12, 2018, meeting minutes were approved as written. Motion by Jack and seconded by Libb. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Status Reports

A. Packinghouse report:

GF market is down as there is little movement on the ruby's; the stars are ok, but sales are slow. The val's were finished early this year (by the end of July).

B. Farming report:

Chuck reported the following update: The maturity of the early navels is late this year. Gibb work will start on this next week. Prospect Park, Olive, and Lugonia (east) will be targeted for the Japan market. Copper, D,4-D, and ACP spraying will begin in November. The Rio's need to be cut out of the Mt. View grove, but labor problems are stalling the work. Chuck will provide the city with an estimate for the work to be done. Chuck further added that the 5th Avenue grove has issues with the hedges and ACP bordering the citrus.

C. Quality of Life report:

Zach provided the following update: The city will be bringing back Martin Lemon on a volunteer basis. The Lugonia grove is being split 50/50 between a CSD and the farm contract, with the developer taking are of certain costs involved with the split. Zach also

provided the latest grove receipts from Villa Park. The homelessness issues still continue with the I-10/CA grove.

D. Individual Commissioner Reports:

Jack commented on how nice the 5th Avenue looks.

E. 10 year citrus plan:

Chris attended the meeting and agreed to setup a separate meeting to discuss the financials for the groves.

5. Old Business

A. Citrus fence update:

The west gateway grove fencing proposal is still pending. The west riverview grove fencing proposal has been modified after residents had concerns with it. The city has made modifications to appease the residents by eliminating the barbed wire component. The contract will be revised and a change order put in with the contractor.

6. New Business

A. Grove purchase considerations:

None.

7. Possible Agenda Items for Next Meeting

8. 5:01 pm - Adjournment to regular meeting November 13, 2018

submitted by Bill Oesterlein, commission secretary