

**CITY OF REDLANDS
CITRUS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting of April 9, 2024
MINUTES**

1. Call to order at 4:00 pm - Attendance

Present: Michael Day
Thomas Lanza
Rollie Moore
Heather Ross
John Smith

City Council: absent

FCS Staff: Zach LaBonte, Kathleen Giorgianni, Don Crow

Farming/Packing companies:

Guests: Dennis Bell,Carolynn O'Donnell

2. Public Comments: N/A

3. Approval of Minutes:

Approval of March 12, 2024, minutes motioned by Commissioner Lanza, Commissioner Moore seconded. Approved.

4. Status Reports

- A. *Packinghouse report:* 5th Avenue and Texas picked. Currently, no juice program for Valencia or grapefruit (impacts Mountain View).
- B. *Facilities & Community Services report:* 1 open position.
- C. *Individual Commissioner Reports:* State will pick up fallen fruit in City groves
- D. Pump Status (Riverview Grove): Legal has drafted an agreement and City needs to meet with other owners to finalize.

5. Old Business

- A. Discussion and possible action related to options to provide homeowners with maintenance support, including systematic pest control.
- B. Discussion and possible action of Farm Bureau's seminars to be held at the Contemporary Club and determine date. Awaiting response from Farm Bureau to finalize coordination.
- C. Discussion and possible action related to England Estate Citrus Grove.
 - a. Commissioner Day motioned for staff to communicate to City Council to accept England Grove purchase terms of \$100,000 with Seller completing installation of new fan jet irrigation system to entire grove, remove existing trees and replant 784 Cara Cara Navel on Volk root stock. Commissioner Moore seconded. Approved \$100,000 will come out of Palmetto Grove acquisition fund.
- D. Oriental Fruit Fly quarantine discussion

6. New Business

7. Possible Agenda Items for Next Meeting

8. 4:12 pm – Adjournment to May 14, 2024, meeting at Council Chambers.