

**CITY OF REDLANDS
CITRUS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting of October 10, 2023
MINUTES**

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

Present: Michael Day
Roger Hardy
Rollie Moore
Heather Ross
John Smith
Jack Steward

City Council: None in attendance

FCS Staff: Zach LaBonte, Kathleen Giorgianni, Don Crow

Farming/Packing companies:

Guests: Carolynn O'Donnell

2. Public Comments: No public comments

3. Approval of Minutes:

Approval of September 12, 2023, meeting motioned by Commissioner Hardy, Commissioner Moore seconded. Approved.

5. Status Reports

- A. *Packinghouse report:* Not in attendance. Zach LaBonte reported that all groves had been picked. Requested a final report for 2023 pack out summary which is to be provided to Commission before next meeting.
- B. *Facilities & Community Services report:* Zach LaBonte shared that John Gless has resigned as consultant. Watering is down. CDFA & USDA has quarantined Redlands due to Oriental Fruit Fly. All impacted fruits and vegetables cannot be moved off property. It impacts fruit up to 3 life cycles of bugs (currently up to May/June 2024). City groves are insured.
- C. *Individual Commissioner Reports:*
- D. Lugonia Grove replanting – 800 trees currently in the ground and the remaining trees will be in by the end of the week.
- E. Pump Status (Riverview Grove): Still running on meters. City will have meeting with participating properties next week to discuss options (i.e., New water company).

6. Old Business

- A. Discussion and possible action related to options to provide homeowners with maintenance support, including systematic pest control. Requested City to communicate to community via newspapers, website and social media regarding the Oriental Fruit Fly.
- B. Discussion and possible action of Farm Bureau's seminars to be held at the Carriage House and determine date.
- C. Discussion and possible action related to England Estate Citrus Grove.
 - a. City received written offer from Armitage which will be presented to Commission to review.

7. New Business

- A. Discussion and possible action related to the CPC's annual presentation to City Council (November 7, 2023)

8. Possible Agenda Items for Next Meeting

9. 4:41 pm – Adjournment to November 14, 2023, meeting at Council Chambers.