

**CITY OF REDLANDS
CITRUS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting of October 8 , 2024
MINUTES**

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

Present: Michael Day
Roger Hardy
Rollie Moore
Heather Ross
John Smith
Janet Ward

City Council: N/A

FCS Staff: Kathleen Giorgianni, Zach LaBonte

Farming/Packing companies: Al Ruiz, Roy

Guests: Dennis Bell, Richard O'Donnell, Carolann O'Donnell, Chris Sedmack

2. Public Comments: None

3. Approval of Minutes:

Approval of July 9, 2024, minutes motioned by Commissioner Hardy Commissioner Moore seconded. Approved.

4. Status Reports

- A. *Packinghouse report:* Villa Park present End of Year Packout Report. Estimated for 2025 are predicted to be slighter lower than 2024. Shipping and picking of juice oranges was absorbed by Packing House. Farming improved 8-9% production.
- B. *Facilities & Community Services report:* Field staff is busy in field. Filled last open position. Purchased aerometers to monitor soil moisture on 4 of the groves.
- C. *Individual Commissioner Reports:* Suggest moving sprinkler emitters around the mature root base or orange trees.
- D. Pump Status (Riverview Grove): It is operational.

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.
- C. Discussion and possible action related to England Estate Citrus Grove.
 - a. Request an update of when will be sent to Council for approval.
- D. Oriental Fruit Fly quarantine discussion

6. New Business

7. Possible Agenda Items for Next Meeting

8. 4:50 pm – Adjournment to November 12, 2024 meeting at Council Chambers.