

**CITY OF REDLANDS
CITRUS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting of September 12, 2023
MINUTES**

1. Call to order at 4:01 pm - Attendance

Present: Michael Day
Roger Hardy
Thomas Lanza
Jack Steward

City Council: Jenna Guzman-Lowery

FCS Staff: Zach LaBonte, Kathleen Giorgianni, Don Crow

Farming/Packing companies: John Gless

Guests: Dennis Bell

- 2. Public Comments:** Iris Chu shared her concerns for City's Riverview Grove as water pump is still in repair and trees are have not been watered since May 2023. This impacts other groves that share the same well.

3. Approval of Minutes:

Approval of July 11, 2023 meeting motioned by Commissioner Hardy, Commissioner Steward seconded. Approved.

5. Status Reports

- A. *Packinghouse report:* Not in attendance. Zach LaBonte reported that all groves had been picked. Finished Palmetto Grove on 9/2/23. Requested a final report for 2023 pack out summary.
- B. *Farming Report:* John Gless Working on details for Lugonia replanting.
- C. *Facilities & Community Services report:* Down one position and had interviews beginning of September. Finished ACP spraying in August. City were able to assist neighboring properties of Riverview to be hooked up to meters and fire hydrants to water until Pioneer Mutual Water pump issue resolved.
- D. *Individual Commissioner Reports:*
- E. Lugonia Grove replanting – Planting of Lugonia Grove starts September 21, 2023 and they have 30 days to get trees in ground (including irrigation lines).

6. 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 Carriage House and determine date.
- C. Discussion and possible action related to England Estate Citrus Grove.
a. Request Chris Boatman to attend next meeting to attend and provide update.

7. New Business

8. Possible Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- A. Pump Status: Riverview Grove Pump and Pioneer Mutual Water

9. 4:30 pm – Adjournment to October 17, 2023 meeting at Council Chambers.