

Citrus Preservation Commission – Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City of Redlands Citrus Preservation Commission held on Tuesday, January 10, 2017, at 4:00 pm in the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department Conference Room, 35 Cajon Street, Suite 15-A, Redlands, are as follows:

Members: Bill Oesterlein Peter Buoye Jack Steward
Rolland Moore Bob Crim Michael Day

City Staff: Rick Cross Jon Harrison

Farming/Packing Companies: None

Guests: Dennis Bell

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:06 pm by Chairman Buoye.
2. Public Comments: None
3. Approval of Minutes:
 - A. The minutes of the December 13, 2016, meeting was approved as written. M/S/P.
4. Election of Officers:
 - A. Peter agreed to continue as Chair. Bill volunteered to be Vice-Chair to allow Andrew to attend to other business.
5. Status Reports:
 - A. Packing House Report – Roy provided the following updates via written correspondence:
 1. Memorial, Riverview, University, and Granite have been picked.
 2. Lugonia has been partially picked, and Prospect Park and Olive will likely be harvested in February.
 - B. Farming Report- Chuck provided the following updates via written correspondence:
 1. There are no low temperatures issues to be worried about right now.
 2. Irrigation is not an issue currently due to the recent rains.
 3. More copper treatments may be needed if the fruit is destined for export and the wet

weather continues into February and March.

C. Individual Commissioner's Reports:

1. No update on the leaking valve at Lugonia. City staff will follow up with Chuck.
2. Jack noted that the groves looked good, though weeds will be an issue with all the rain.

6. Old Business:

A. Project update on the West Riverview property:

1. The grove project low bid was approved by the City Council last week.
2. The grove will be planted this spring.

B. Project update on the Best property:

1. A job walk is scheduled for this week, with the project expected to go out to bid in the next few weeks.
2. The grove is still expected to be planted this spring.

C. Planting Subcommittee Update:

1. The committee is looking for recommendations on a maximum slope/grade % to add to the proposed guidelines.
2. City staff will look at the slope on other approved projects and report back at a later meeting.

7. New Business:

A. Presentation of Accomplishments:

1. Bill volunteered to draft a list of 2016 accomplishments of the Commission and present it at the next meeting for discussion, prior to formally presenting it to the Council.

8. Possible Agenda Items for the Next Meeting: A number of items were proposed.

9. Adjournment at 4:57 pm to the Next Meeting, February 14, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Oesterlein
Commission Secretary