

**CITY OF REDLANDS
CITRUS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting of October 11, 2022
MINUTES**

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

Present: Michael Day, Chair
Roger Hardy
Thomas Lanza
Heather Ross
Mark Shaw
Jack Steward

Absent: Rollie Moore

City Council: Jenna Guzman Lowery

FCS Staff: Zach LaBonte, Tricia Swope

Farming/Packing companies: John Gless

Guests: Dennis Bell, Iris Chu, Richard O'Donnell

2. Public Comments: Iris Chu addressed about article to Packing House in Redlands Community News. Email was sent and Mr. Watson to purchase orange grove is not viable solution.

3. Approval of Minutes: September 27, 2022 minutes will be approved at November 8, 2022 meeting.

4. Status Reports

- A. *Packinghouse report:* No Packing House update
- B. *Farming Report:* Should be a good year for navels and grapefruit.
- C. *Facilities & Community Services report:* Down to one staff member. Filter replacement schedule for Mullen grove on Monday. Working with Sandra Zwaal about hosting Argentinean Ant and ACP workshop at Carriage House on Nov 1st. Bid for replanting going to Council in November.
- D. *Individual Commissioner Reports:* Suckers at Sessum, Gateway.

5. Old Business

- A. Discussion and possible action related to the use of City-owned property located at Lugonia Avenue and Judson Street (Lugonia Grove) as a future Fire Station.
 - a. Commissioner Day motions to accept plan as provided by staff to submit to Council. Commissioner Shaw seconds. Motion Passes.
- B. Report from subcommittee for items related to private commercial groves.
Tabled until further discussion on #5.C.
- C. Discussion and possible Action related to request from Neil Watson regarding grove at 1855 River Bend Drive, Redlands.
 - a. Mr Watson does not want to sell or subdivide his land. Mr Watson would like to explore Option #2 of his letter (i.e, City charges for the management of Watson's Grove). Can the City provide average per acre farming cost less picking and packing cost?

6. New Business

- A. Feasibility of City to provide the systemic pest control for ACP for backyard homeowner trees.
Are Vouchers an option?

7. Possible Agenda Items for Next Meeting

8. 4:45 pm – Adjournment to November 8, 2022 meeting