

MINUTES of the regular meeting of the City of Redlands Citrus Preservation Commission held on Tuesday May 12th, 2015 at 4:00 PM in the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department Conference Room, 35 Cajon Street, Suite 15-A, Redlands, are as follows:

PRESENT: Peter Buoye, Chairman
Gary McCormick
Rollie Moore
Jack Steward
Mayor Pro Tem John Harrison

STAFF: Ashley Claire Johnson, Project Assistant
Benjamin Matlock, Senior Admin Analyst
Rick Cross, Operations Manager
James Garland, Internal Auditor

GUESTS: Dennis Bell

**FARMING COMPANIES/
PACKING HOUSE:** Chuck Hills, Larry Jacinto Farming Co

I. Roll Call and Approval of Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by Peter Buoye and the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, April 9th, 2015 were unanimously approved.

II. ITEMS

- A. Larry Jacinto Farming representative Chuck Hills reported on finishing the picking of the city groves. Prospect Park will pick late navels starting next week. He also informed the commission on finding a lot of Sheepnos in Mt. View. For the maintenance of the groves he stated they were finishing the area wide Psyllid Treatment this month. Chuck Hills also mentioned the residential HOA's Citrus groves still have Psyllid infected and that treating the city's orange groves for Psyllid will not make an impact unless the HOA's are systematically treated also. Mayor Pro Tem Harrison suggested staff send an additional letter out that sites that the condition of approval for the Home Owner's Association's land development included the maintenance of the citrus groves.
- B. Spoke on upcoming Prospect Park presentation and staff report. Ben Matlock said to expect the first meeting in June. Mayor Pro Tem Harrison suggested that an expert on Asian Citrus Psyllid like Bill Oesterlein should speak at the city council meeting. There should also be some response about the drought and replanting Prospect Park.
- C. Individual Commissioners Report-Gary McCormick found puffing and creasing in Prospect.

- D. Fencing - Previously the commission had suggested fencing particular groves off to increase security and decrease illegal dumping. Commissioner McCormick suggested fencing off one grove, as a test grove. Committee chose Lugonia with a 10-15 foot fence for staff to research and report on.
- E. Citrus Annual Report- Ashley Johnson and James Garland presented the finalized version of the Citrus Annual Report to the Citrus Committee members.
- F. New Items on Agenda
 1. Update on the Subcommittee of the Citrus Preservation Commission Formed to further explore the replanting of Prospect Park.
 2. Discussion on the Establishment of Perimeter Fencing on some of Lugonia grove.
 3. Update on the status of the possible planting of citrus on Soffel's Christmas Tree Farm.
 4. Discussion on a revised letter sent out to Redland's Home Owners Associations about spraying for Asian Citrus Psyllid.

III PUBLIC COMMENT

None to report

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 PM. The next regular meeting of the Citrus Preservation Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, June 9th at 4:00 PM in the **MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AND ENGINEERING CONFERENCE ROOM.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Quality of Life Department