Citrus Preservation Commission—Meeting Minutes

The following contains the minutes of the regular City of Redlands Citrus Preservation Commission meeting that took place on the 9th of February, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. in the Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department Conference Room, at 35 Cajon Street, Suite 15-A Redlands.

Members: Jack Steward Andrew Irvin Peter Buoye

Rolland Moore Gary McCormick

<u>City Staff:</u> Ashley Johnson Jon Harrison Rick Cross

Cody Clarke

Farming/ Packing Companies: Chuck Hills

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm by Chairman Buoye.

2. Public Comments: None

3. Approval of Minutes: Minutes Approved

4. New Business

- A.) Darryl Perricone's report was read by Chuck Hills.
 - 1) Increase of Domestic Sales
 - 2) Peak on 72s/88s
 - 3) 400-500 boxes per acre: most blocks
 - 4) 100 loads a week to Korea
 - 5) \$17.11 export FOB (\$10+ for domestic)
 - 6) Export has gone to "gib only"
 - 7) Chuck reports Texas/Olive/University still need to be picked

Chairman Buoye asked about GAP report:

- 1) Palmetto needs help.
- 2) I-10 needs help.
- 3) Prospect Park has dogs.
- 4) GAP fruit gets an extra 74 cents a carton, but the money goes into a pool.
- 5) Certification lasts 1 year.

- B.) Farming Report by Chuck Hills:
 - 1) 300 lbs. per acre 27-0-0 on all groves.
 - 2) Mountain View grove looks good after pre-emergent.
 - 3) Lugonia also looks good.
 - 4) Starting to irrigate the "sandy" groves.
 - 5) Chuck noted that Darryl did the city a big favor by picking fruit that was in demand.
 - 6) Gary complimented Chuck for getting memorial park picked early.
- C.) Discussion about individuals assigned to "viewing" individual groves:
 - 1) Irvin: 5th street
 - 2) Buoye: Prospect
 - 3) McCormick: Palmetto + I-10 + Jacinto
 - 4) Still waiting for poles + cables on Mountain View

Riverview:

Mullin:

Texas:

Judson:

Olive: Jack Steward

- D.) Rick Cross reported we can start pressing the uncooperative HOA's with structured financial penalties per code.
 - 1) Redlands can enforce its ordinance because the county initiated the process in 2012. The entire county is under quarantine.
 - 2) California Citrus Mutual wants to meet the Citrus Preservation Commission to present on ACP. They seem impressed with Redlands response to the Psyllid as a great example for neighboring communities.

5. Old Business

- A.) Consider the Riverview grove: may have 5 more acres available to plant.
 - 1) Irvin made motion to ask city council to look into the plausibility of planting navels at Riverview by directing staff to identify costs and (\$70,000 per Chuck) a feasibility study.

2) Motion Seconded by Gary McCormick. Motion Passed.

B.)General Discussions

- 1) Discussion about land behind shell station on California Street.
- 2) Peter: Sand diversified properties did a nice job on the property on Pioneer (Jacinto did the work).
- 3) April 25th is the projected start date for Prospect (maybe actually late/ not for planting the baby trees).
- 4) Some end discussion about a vacancy on the commission.
- 5) Gary McCormick requested a second term.
- 6. Meeting adjourned at 5:01p.m.