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CITY OF REDLANDS
CITRUS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Regular Meeting of April 9, 2019
MINUTES

1. Call to order at 4:05pm - Attendance

Present: Peter Buoye, Chair
Libb Cook
Jack Steward
Rolland Moore
Michael Day

Absent:
Bob Crim
Bill Oesterlein

QOL Staff: Erik Reeves
Jocelynn Santa Cruz

Farming/Packing companies: Chuck Hills
Guests: Dennis Bell
Dr. Pam Miller
Sandra Zwaal, CPDPP
Heather Ross

2. Public comments:

Sandra Zwaal with the Citrus Prevention and Disease Program offered a reminder to include information on HLB and ACB in the 10 year plan.

3. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the March 12, 2019 regular meeting minutes were approved as written. Motion by Jack S., and seconded by Michael D. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Status Reports

A. *Packinghouse report:*

Prospect Park picking is almost complete; will be done in the next week. Dennis Bell mentioned the puff and crease is notable in Prospect Park. The late navels in the 5th Avenue grove look well.

B. *Farming report:*

Chuck reported the following update: Reiterated the picking is almost complete in Prospect Park. Watering and weed abatement will start in the following weeks at Judson/San Bernardino grove. Chuck mentioned the need to have new trees planted by 2021.

C. *Quality of Life report:*

Erik updated the commission on the tower construction wrapping up. Chuck will meet with the contractor in the following days to go over damage as a result of the construction at the Mt. View grove. Erik made contact with the University Grove Association about removing hedges around the grove; the association is reluctant. Erik will follow up with the association. The finance report will be tabled to the May meeting. Michael D., asked about the cell tower Verizon was interested in placing in one of the groves; at this time there is no movement on Verizon's part to install a tower.

D. *Individual Commissioner Reports:*

Jack provided his comment that the bloom looks great in many of the groves but the warmer weather earlier this year may cause issues with citrus growth.

E. *10 year citrus plan:*

The commission discussed the need for replanting in 3 groves; Texas grove, Palmetto grove and the lower block of Prospect Park. Michael D motioned to make a recommendation to council to re-plant 3 groves, Rolland M. 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

5. New Business

- A. Tabled the discussion on replanting underperforming city groves to the May meeting.
Chairman Buoye announced the end of his term as a Citrus Preservation Commissioner. Jack S. nominated Michael Day as the new Citrus Commission chairman, Rolland M., 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

6. 5:00 pm - Adjournment to regular meeting May 14, 2019
submitted by City of Redlands staff