

CITY OF REDLANDS
CITRUS PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting of January 14, 2025
MINUTES

1. Call to order at 4:02pm - Attendance

Present:	Michael Day	Roger Hardy
	Thomas Lanza	Heather Ross
	John Smith	Janet Ward
	Rollie Moore	

City Council: Mark Shaw

FCS Staff: Zack Labonte, Kathleen Giorgianni

Farming/Packing companies: Al Ruiz

Guests: Dennis Bell, Susan Brookes, et al.

2. Public Comments: Question as to whether the Commission could intercede with city staff who apparently have determined that private small fruit stands required city permitting. Chairman Day responded that the Citrus Commission was not involved with city permitting. KG told an individual she would help identify appropriate city contact. Concerns were expressed that the Citrus Commission should do more to assist private grove owners in getting information useful to maintaining their trees. Chairman Day referred grove owners to the San Bernardino Farm Bureau for technical support of small grove farmers.

3. Approval of Minutes: Minutes moved seconded and approved

4. Status Reports

A. *Packinghouse report:* Started picking navels from Gateway and Riverview for export 57 bin out of gateway and 91 out of W Riverview. WRV is picked. Waiting for orders. Picking small navels for juice. Fruit fly found in Riverside but not sufficient to quarantine. Working on complying with board request for end of year packout report. Commissioner Hardy reminded staff that the report should include 5 year y/y comparison. Chairman Day requested that staff get the report for next meeting for report to Council.

B. *Facilities & Community Services report:* Some damage to trees from wind, Water sensors are in and being calibrated.

C. *Individual Commissioner Reports:* Commissioner Ward noted waterheads to close the trees on Olive Orchard. Commissioner Moore noted the loss of 175 trees to theft and vandalism. at the Pennsylvania Orchard

5. Old Business: None

6. New Business

A. Commissioner Day asked for input for report to the council

B. CPC relocation and time. Need to move meeting to the Council Chambers, not available on Tuesday. New meeting suggested as 3rd Weds. Motion made by Day seconded by Commissioner Ward, approved

C. Commissioner Ross resigns as Secretary, Commissioner Day thanks her for her years of service. Commissioner Hardy volunteered pending a revisiting of the mission of the Commission. Commissioners Ross and Moore supported future discussion.

7. Possible Agenda Items for Next Meeting: Discussion of the mission/scope of the CPC

8. 5: 10 pm – Adjournment to February 19, 2025 meeting at Council Chambers.