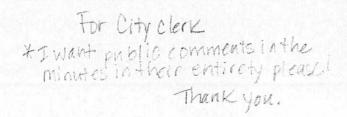
Agenda Item No. 11



Honorable Mayor, Council Members, and City Staff,

Thank you for listening to our call for help concerning the flies connected to the chicken ranches in the North Bench area. You are fully aware that this has been a problem for years, and it has reached a level that is unbearable and unhealthy. Thank you for taking our concerns seriously and dedicating time to writing up a new ordinance and manure management plan. These are imperative, because as long as we have chicken ranching, we will also need a proper manure management that MUST INCLUDE honest evaluations and implementation of fines. We need someone or a committee to make sure that the fines are administered and paid. If not, the new ordinance will turn out to be a joke and a waste of time. We are trusting that you will do the right thing.

This brings me to an email that I found within the public records I had requested concerning fines given to the Yucaipa poultry ranches from the years 2014 to 2016. I have a copy for each of you. Joe Lambert was alerted by Vector Control on June 11, 2015 that Hoover #7 was not following the Manure Management Plan. Vector control stated that the City of Yucaipa can write citations for non-compliance through ordinance 216. Vector called for a joint inspection with staff for that very day. So, this brings me to two questions:

- 1. Why did several council members and staff seem surprised by James Ramos' comment on ABC News that this was the responsibility of the city when obviously, this matter was brought to the staff's attention a year ago through vector control?
- 2. If staff was not following through on ordinance 216, how can we be sure that they will follow through with the new ordinance? And the reason I ask this is because I found only ONE written fine by the city for \$100, but it was not written until May 16 of this year, AFTER they received pressure from the North Bench neighbors.

So, how can we move forward with a better reputation?

One suggestion is to set up monthly reporting of chicken ranching activities and fines. If this is required by council, hopefully staff will be more diligent.

Again, thank you for your concern and help.

Dena Hall

June 27, 2016 City Council Meeting

From:

Osorio, Jennifer

To:

Joseph Lambert

Subject:

Call Regarding flies in Yucaipa Thursday, June 11, 2015 7:26:18 AM

Date: Attachments:

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Importance:

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Good morning Joe,

Please call me first thing this morning. Hoover #7 was found yesterday in violation of City of Yucaipa Ordinance Number 216. They are not following the Manure Management Plan (MMP). I believe the City of Yucaipa can write citations for non-compliance with City Ordinance Number 216. I would like to have a joint inspection today. I have a team of technicians ready to go out there this morning.

Call me so that we can coordinate. 909-388-5861

Thank you.



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