

Tree and Landscape Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday, November 18, 2021

10:00 a.m.

305 SW A Street, Bentonville, AR

Zoom Meeting – the public and non-committee members may contact bbirchfield@bentonvillear.com to request participation via Zoom.

Mission Statement: The City of Bentonville Tree & Landscape Advisory Committee serves as an advisory committee to the City Council and to City Staff working to maintain, improve, renew and protect the urban forest in public rights-of-way, as well as to share information with the public, enhance appreciation of trees, promote proper tree care, and encourage participation in the development of Bentonville's urban forest.

Tagline: Grow with trees.

Members

Gulizar Baggson, 12/31/23

Nathan Lembke, Chair, 12/31/23

David Short, 12/31/22

Jessie Wagner, Vice-Chair, 12/31/23

Ralph Weber, 12/31/21

Vacant Position, 12/31/24

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Ex-Officio City Council

Holly Hook, 12/31/21

Staff

Shelli Kerr, Comprehensive Planning Manager

Baylea Birchfield, Planning Technician

Geoff Braga, Urban Forester

Emily Krol, Horticulturalist

AGENDA

OPEN MEETING - Meeting is being recorded.

1. Meeting Summary Approval – October 2021*

NEW BUSINESS

2. 2022 Work Plan

3. 2022 Day/Time Discussion

4. 2022 Tree Giveaway Dates

OLD BUSINESS

1. Fall Tree Giveaway Review

2. Roundabout Discussion

OTHER BUSINESS

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* Attachment

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Thursday, October 21, 2021

10:00 a.m.

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SUMMARY

Attendance

Voting Members	Ex Officio	Staff
✓ Ralph Weber	✓ Holly Hook (City Council)	✓ Baylea Birchfield
✓ Nathan Lembke		✓ Tyler Overstreet
✓ David Short		✓ Emily Krol
✓ Jessie Wagner		✓ Shelli Kerr

Open Meeting. Shelli called the meeting called to order at 10:01 a.m.

1. **Meeting Summary Approval.** Minutes approved.

CURRENT BUSINESS

1. **Arkansas Monarch Conservation Partnership.** Laurie Scott the Lab Coordinator and Land Manager at NWACC spoke on the Arkansas Monarch Conservation Partnership.
2. **Tree Preservation & Protection Working Group.** Tyler Overstreet gave an update from his last work group meeting. A more defined guide was given to the group. His next step will be to move forward with finalizing a timeline to execute the task list.
3. **Fall Tree Giveaway.** Baylea Birchfield discussed the layout for Saturday's event. The group should arrive by 7:30. We will have iPads available this year to aid with checking off those who were pre-registered and assist with covering in case of weather. Ralph, Jessie, Emily, Holly, and David and his wife are available to volunteer.
4. **Residential Landscape Award September Nomination.**
Baylea attached pictures of the three nominations. She requested votes to be cast during the meeting as we have two existing nominations. There was a unanimous vote for 2412 Rita Way.
 - 4100 SW Heartwood – existing nomination
 - 2412 Rita Way – existing nomination

OTHER BUSINESS

5. **The Great Arkansas Cleanup.** Baylea reiterated the cleanup has a focus of encouraging small groups on their own time. The signup process will be through our cleanup kits and families, co-workers, or neighborhoods can check out our kits on a day that works for the group and clean an area of that they wish. All participants will receive a reusable trash bag for their cars.

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