

Tree and Landscape Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday, September 15th, 2022

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.

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Tagline: Grow with trees.

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AGENDA

OPEN MEETING - Meeting is being recorded.

1. *Meeting Summary Approval –August 18th, 2022

NEW BUSINESS

2. *Landscape of the Month Nominations

- 3805 SW Kestrel Dr
- 3003 NE 4th
- 7 Gorman Gate
- 4100 SW Heartwood
- 2803 SW Aster Way
- 508 N Main St
- 2303 NW Willow St
- 4006 SW Flintstone Way

OLD BUSINESS

3. **Reminder** - Tree Giveaway is Saturday, October 22nd

- *Tree list sheet review

4. **Bentonville 150th Celebration**

- Locations for 150 tree plantings
- Tree types

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- Baylea opened the meeting at 10:00 am

1. *Meeting Summary Approval –July 21st, 2022

NEW BUSINESS

2. Bentonville's 150th Anniversary

- Identify location(s) for 150 tree plantings
- The mayor sent an ask out to various board to celebrate in some way
- Each month, the city would like each organization to participate in some way
- Discussion amongst committee members and staff
- The team will look the Tree Canopy Study
- Pollinator trees were discussed

3. *Landscape of the Month Nominations

- 3805 SW Kestrel Dr
- 3003 NE 4th
- 7 Gorman Gate
- 905 SE 5th St
- 4100 SW Heartwood
- 2803 SW Aster Way
- 508 N Main St
- Baylea asked the team to drive by these houses to look and to vote

OLD BUSINESS

4. Reminder - Tree Giveaway is Saturday, October 22nd

- Tree donations from Bentonville Parks Conservancy.
- 2 trees per residence
- Baylea will go ahead and get the registration link ready
- Patti is helping coordinator delivery of the trees
- Baylea showed all the different type of trees
- Volunteers will be needed

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July 2022 Residential Landscape Nominations



3805 SW Kestrel Dr



3003 NE 4th St



7 Gorman Gate



4100 SW Heartwood



2803 SW Aster Way

508 N Main St



2303 NW Willow St



4006 SW Flintstone Way



Downy Serviceberry

7 Gallon



Downy serviceberry is a four-season tree offering white flowers in spring, small red berries in summer, excellent fall color, and gray bark in winter. The fruit is usually eaten very quickly by birds.

15-25' and a spread of 15-25' at maturity.

Full sun (6 hrs direct light daily), Partial sun / shade (4-6 hrs light daily)

[Click here](#) for more information

Yellowwood

5 Gallon



Yellowwood is a medium- to large-sized tree, 30 to 50 feet high, with smooth bark, large hanging clusters of fragrant white flowers, and clear yellow fall color. Choose a yellowwood tree for excellent shade in a small to medium sized landscape. Note that the branches of the yellowwood are highly susceptible to ice storm damage. It was formerly known as *Cladrastis lutea*.

Medium tree (25-40 feet), Large tree (more than 40 feet)

Full sun (6 hrs direct light daily)

For more information, [click here](#)

Winter King Hawthorn

7 Gallon



Green hawthorn offers beautiful flowers and fruit and is more disease resistant than other species of hawthorn. The cultivar 'Winter King' is more commonly sold than the species.

Small tree (15-25 feet), Medium tree (25-40 feet)

Full sun (6 hrs direct light daily), Partial sun / shade (4-6 hrs light daily)

[Click here](#) for more information

Skyline Thornless Honeylocust 5 & 7 Gallon



A fast-growing tree with fragrant spring flowers. Its delicate, open silhouette lets grass grow underneath. Tiny leaflets turn yellow or yellow-green in fall. Pollution, salt and drought tolerant. Adapts to a wide range of soils. Prefers full sun.

Grows to 30' to 70', 50' spread. (zones 3-9)

30-70' and a spread of 30-70' at maturity.

Full sun is the ideal condition for this tree, meaning it should get at least six hours of direct, unfiltered sunlight each day.

[Click here](#) for more information

Vernal Witchhazel

5 Gallon



Vernal witch-hazel has yellow and orange-red flowers with a spicy fragrance that appear in late winter or very early spring, before the leaves unfurl, lasting three to four weeks. The new foliage is an attractive bronzy-red color that matures to dark green. It turns a rich buttery yellow to golden yellow in fall. The dried leaves often persist into winter. The fruit capsules mature in September or October, then split open to expel black seeds that are attractive to birds. The plants can sucker to form colonies. This is a great specimen plant for a naturalized landscape.

6 to 10 feet high and 10 to 15 feet wide

Full sun (6 hrs direct light daily), Partial sun / shade (4-6 hrs light daily)

[Click here](#) more more information

Hoptree/Wafer Ash

5 Gallon



Wafer-ash is a small native tree or large shrub. It produces small fragrant flowers and wafer-like winged seeds, similar to elms. It is a good plant for naturalizing or woodland landscapes. Despite the name, this tree is not a true ash tree and is unaffected by the emerald ash borer. This species is native to the Chicago region according to Swink and Wilhelm's Plants of the Chicago Region, with updates made according to current research.

**Large shrub (more than 8 feet), Compact tree (10-15 feet),
Small tree (15-25 feet)**

Full sun (6 hrs direct light daily), Partial sun / shade (4-6 hrs light daily), Full shade (4 hrs or less of light daily)

For more information, [click here](#)

Overcup Oak

7 Gallon



An important tree in difficult urban landscaping situations with uniform branching forming a rounded shape with an open crown. The Overcup Oak has brilliant reddish or gray brown bark and displays leathery dark green leaves in summer. Fall color is a rich yellow-brown. Easy to transplant and tolerates most soil conditions and partial shade to full sun. Grows 45'-70' with a 45' spread. (Zones 5-9)

45-70' and a spread of around 35-50' at maturity.

Full sun and partial shade are best for this tree, meaning it prefers a minimum of four hours of direct, unfiltered sunlight each day.

For more information, [click here](#)

Nuttall Oak

5 & 7 Gallon



This species is one of the most well-adapted oaks for general landscape use. It grows quickly, develops a good branching structure, tolerates wet soil as well as moderate drought, and has very few issues with insects and disease. All of which make the nuttall oak a great choice for urban and suburban spaces.

40–60' and a spread of 35–50' at maturity.

Full sun is the ideal condition for this tree, meaning it should get at least six hours of direct, unfiltered sunlight each day.

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Baldcypress

7 Gallon



The baldcypress tree is the classic tree of southern swamps. There, in its native habitat, it displays a peculiar habit of raising conical "knees" from its roots. The function of these growths is something of a mystery, although some believe it is a way to help the roots get oxygen. This tree dwells in swamps because it out-competes most other trees on such sites.

50-70' and a spread of around 25' at maturity

Full sun is the ideal condition for this tree, meaning it should get at least six hours of direct, unfiltered sunlight each day.

For more information, [click here](#)

American Cranberry Bush

5 Gallon



Excellent fall foliage color which may be yellow, red, orange or burgundy is just one of the many attributes of this large and attractive native shrub. Showy, snow-white, flat-topped flowers are 3"-4 1/2" in diameter that bloom in mid to late May. Beginning in September, bright red fruits serve as food for birds and wildlife. Grows 8'-12' high with an equal spread. Prefers good, well-drained, moist soil and partial shade to full sun.

8-12', with an equal spread, at maturity.

Full sun and partial shade are best for this shrub, meaning it prefers a minimum of 4 hours of direct, unfiltered sunlight each day.

For more information, [click here](#)