

TREE COMMITTEE MINUTES



Wednesday, April 13, 2022

5:00 P.M.

U.S. Cellular Community Park, Maintenance Shop

300 Lowry Lane, Medford, OR

10. **Roll Call**

Members present: Cathy Weed, Diane Patterson, Greg Applen, Luke Williams, Jill Hunter, Karl Geidans

Parks and Recreation Liaison: Dan Ratty

Staff present: Richard Weed, Linda Johnson

20. **Approval of Minutes**

20.1 Approval of March 9, 2022-approved as submitted

30. **Oral Requests Communications**

None

40. **New and Continued Business**

40.1 Arbor Day
Being a part of Pear Blossom was a success.

40.2 Tree Inventory Plans
There have been 632 trees plotted, we are averaging approximately 300 trees per month.

40.3 Tree Permits
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40.4 Jefferson Elementary Tree Nursery
The school would like a brief description of what the vision is for the nursery. Since the end of the school year is nearing, we will wait until Fall to begin when the kids are back in school.

40.5 Mainwaring Dedication Update
Scheduled for 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 7 at Fichtner-Mainwaring Park. There will be an announcement in the Tempo. The Mayor and Police chief are tentatively scheduled to

speak. Possibly hiring a bagpiper as well as a school band. Will be providing breakfast-type snacks along with our usual table with giveaway stuff.

40.6 Bill Harrington Memorial Tree Planting

Would like the event to be during the fall planting season so we can spread out our events over a longer period of time. The tree is a Bur Oak and will be put in Hawthorne where the Silver Maple was removed. The family has purchased a memorial bench to be placed at Prescott Park. Date to be determined as to when the ceremony will be held. This will not be a public invited event due to the location of where the bench will be installed. There is a plan to make a wood bench from the Silver Maple that was removed from Hawthorne Park in a couple of years when the wood has cured.

50. Staff Reports

Ready to do a planting of two trees by Jackson School and two on Holly St. The Committee Will figure out a date and time to plant the trees. Kimberly Boutiette a city employee will be volunteering for our future events. IOOF Cemetery Commission is seeking a \$6,000 grant which, if approved, will be matched by the City for tree work in the cemetery. Richard is getting bids on Almond Green to remove hazardous Cottonwoods along 1-5 & 10th and a bid to raise limbs on approximately 20 Pines East. Of Tripp St.

60. Messages, Papers and Remarks from Committee Members

Karl Geidan spoke about a series, 100 Years Ago Today, how interesting it would be to see if any of the trees that were planted 100 years ago still exist today.

70. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Johnson
Park Maintenance

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