



City of Auburn Parks & Recreation Urban Tree Board



Minutes

Tuesday, November 4, 2014

2:00 p.m.

Conference Room

Parks, Arts & Recreation Administration Building

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm.

Tree board members attending were Marsha Goodwin, Brooksie Donna Hall, Jan Speer, James Tourangeau, Chair Bryce Landrud. Also present at the meeting were Parks Planning & Development Manager Jamie Kelly, Parks Horticulturist Richard Valenti and Parks Secretary Julie Mehl.

II. Minutes

The October 2014 Urban Tree Board minutes were approved unanimously.

III. Correspondence/Public Input

Discussion on trees removed near the Muckleshoot Reservation. The board would like to review city codes regarding city trees.

Board member Donna Hall shows a photo of signage The City of Bellevue posts on trees prior to removal showing the reason why and what will be planted in the future. Rich Valenti states Auburn uses sandwich boards for notification. Bryce adds that Tacoma and Seattle post signage as well.

IV. Old Business

Heritage Tree – The Oregon Myrtle on 4th St NE is the unanimous choice for the 2nd Heritage Tree of 2014. The board discusses selecting a tree each quarter in 2015.

V. New Business

Department of Natural Resources \$10,000 grant for City owned improved property. DNR would hire contractor to complete assessments. Jamie will complete grant, which is due in December.

VI. Board Recommendations/Input

VII. Department Report

The Fenster planting project drew 175 volunteers who planted 4,500 plants on October 11.

The transient camp along the White River near the bridge is in the process of being cleaned up. Jan