



City of Auburn Parks & Recreation

Urban Tree Board



Minutes

Tuesday, May 7, 2019

2:00 p.m.

Class Room

Parks, Arts & Recreation/Community & Event Center

I. Call to Order

The Urban Tree Board met at Auburn Parks, Arts & Recreation at 2:00 pm.

Tree board members attending were Board Chair Bryce Landrud, Members Tanya Galat, Jan Speer. Also present at the meeting were Parks Planning Manager Jamie Kelly, Parks Horticulturist Richard Valenti, Parks Maintenance Worker Trent Mannon and Parks Secretary Julie Mehl.

II. Minutes

The April minutes were approved.

III. Correspondence/Public Input

Board Chair Landrud shares the golf course conditions have really improved the playability at the Auburn Golf Course.

IV. Old Business

G St SE: The planting has been cancelled due to lack of neighborhood participation.

Mason Bee houses: Secretary Julie Mehl scouted some locations for the Mason Bee Houses which include Les Gove Park, Community Garden on 4th, Dorothy Bothell Park, Game Farm Wilderness Park and the Backyard Idea Garden. They will be installed this week.

Heritage Tree: The board continues the search for a Heritage Tree nomination in the South end of Auburn or in the Lea Hill area.

V. New Business

The board welcomes new member Tanya Galat.

VI. Board Recommendations/Input

Board member Jan Speer suggested a Red Horse Chestnut for the 2020 Arbor Day Tree.

VII. Department Report

Parks Maintenance worker Trent Mannon began pruning trees this winter at many south end parks. He has pruned roughly 400 trees. Trent also attended a Tree ID class in April at the UW Arboretum and

thoroughly enjoyed it. Trent's goal is to become a certified arborist and the process will take about 1.5 years.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:55.