



**Meeting Agenda:
Tree and Landscape Advisory Committee Meeting**

Date & Time: July 18, 2019 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Location: Community Development Building, 305 SW A Street,
Bentonville, AR 72712; second floor conference room

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.

Committee Members Present: Scott Eccleston, David Short, Chris Sooter, Ralph Weber

Others Present: Danielle Semsrott, Senior Planner and Dana Torczon, Horticulturalist

New Business

1. Tree Planting Blitz (tentative)

- BPC mulching and tree trimming
- No new tree plantings
- Danielle handle organizing event – volunteers, lunch, etc.
- Danielle will schedule a meeting

2. Fall Tree Giveaway

- 400 trees
- October 12th
- DAC
- 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Have a call into Don Langston for tree inventory
- Need understory trees
- If Trails for Life group volunteers again, no fundraising

3. Grow with Trees Award

- Brick Avenue Lofts – will follow up with them on August 7th, tree preservation celebration TBD
- Other nominations - Red Barn, Thaden, Blake Street House

4. Landscaping of the Month Awards

- Residential and commercial

- May – October
- 501 NW A Street – August 13th City Council meeting
- Nominations
 - ✓ 412 SE D Street
 - ✓ 302 SE 2nd Street
 - ✓ 209 SE 3rd Street
- Goal to find a house on the SW side of town

5. Current Projects

- Roundabout at NE J Street and Museum Way/NE John DeShields Blvd – T & L Committee fund native plants (approximately \$12,000) and soil (approximately \$3,000); Crystal Bridges will irrigate, light, plant and maintain – will present a drawing to the committee, base planting in fall
- Large round, raised planters – place on west, south and east corners of square, examples below (Emily Krol)
 - Scott made a motion and David second in support and all in favor of using \$15,000 in T & L Committee funds to purchase planters
- Heritage Tree Program – committee would like to focus on this, review past examples from Cody with Crystal Bridges

Old Business

1. By-laws – terms limits

- Scott – 11/14/20
- Nathan – 7/25/20
- David – 5/23/20
- Chris – 12/31/21
- Ralph – 12/31/21
- No term limits

2. Project Ideas

- North Walton Boulevard Corridor Enhancement Plan – no update at this time
- Greenspace coming into Bentonville at new interchange at SE Walton & I-49 – potential tree planting opportunity
- Synthetic turf at the square

Other Business

- Grow with Trees display at Community Center – wrap on utility box needs to be replaced – AMP removed and replacement is not recommended

Next Meeting

- August 15, 2019 at 10:00 am, Community Development Building, 2nd floor conference room