

Tree and Landscape Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday, February 16, 2023

10:00 a.m.

305 SW A Street, Bentonville, AR

Zoom Meeting – the public and non-committee members may contact chyatt@bentonvillear.com to request participation via Zoom.

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82341556426?pwd=clgwVWsxTWNMWWs3bVZkeDR4ekZTdz09>

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Tagline: Grow with trees.

Members

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Nathan Lembke, 12/31/23

Jessie Wagner, Chair, 12/31/23

Ralph Weber, 12/31/24

Open Position

Mark Bray, 12/31/24

Ashley Harris 12/31/25

Ex-Officio City Council

Holly Hook, 12/31/27

Staff

Geoff Braga, Urban Forester

Emily Krol, Horticulturalist

Christopher Hyatt, Planner

AGENDA

OPEN MEETING - Meeting is being recorded.

1. ***Meeting Summary Approval** –January 19, 2023

NEW BUSINESS

2. **Election of Vice-Chair**
3. **Brainstorming Public Education**
4. **Bentonville's 150th Anniversary**

ADJOURN MEETING

** Attachment*

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1. *Meeting Summary Approval –November 17, 2022

- Motion to approve the minutes by Jessie, seconded by Ralph
- Approved

NEW BUSINESS

2. Welcome Christopher Hyatt

3. Welcome Ashley Harris

4. Election of Officers

- Motion to nominate Jessie as Chair by Nathan, seconded by Mark
- Approved
- No nominations made for Vice-Chair

5. 2023 Tree Giveaway Dates

- Saturday, April 22nd and Saturday, October 21st

6. Brainstorming Public Education

- Discussion on ideas provided via email from Nathan
- Ralph suggests displaying trees at the library
Collaboration with Crystal Bridges on presentation (wanting to keep presentation in house)
- Jessie suggests partnerships with Peel Compton on presentations and possibly others (Arbor Day Foundation)
- Gulizar suggests additional education during tree giveaways

- Stephen suggests soil education
- Jessie suggests planting demonstrations on municipal grounds
- Ashley suggests service projects for youth group to plant for those who are unable to
- Christopher will reach out to the library about presentations/speaker series, as well as, reach out to Hunter in Parks and Rec about tours for education.

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