



CITY OF SWEET HOME PARKS AND TREE COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 16, 2022, 8:30 AM
Santiam Conference Room
3225 Main Street, Sweet Home, OR 97386

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PLEASE silence all cell phones – Anyone who wishes to speak, please sign in.

Mission Statement

The City of Sweet Home will work to build an economically strong community with an efficient and effective local government that will provide infrastructure and essential services to the citizens we serve. As efficient stewards of the valuable assets available, we will be responsive to the community while planning and preparing for the future.

Meeting Information

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Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 AM

Roll Call of Park and Tree Committee Members:

PRESENT

Bob Dalton
Wally Shreves
Lena Tucker
Debra Northern
Nancy Patton
Councilor Dave Trask

ABSENT

Nanci Curtis

STAFF

Associate Planner, Angela Clegg
Community and Economic Development Director Blair Larsen
Finance Director Brandon Neish
Public Works Director Greg Springman
Public Works Operation Manager Dominic Valloni
Crew Lead: Facilities and Parks Sean Hegge

Time Reports

Meeting Minutes

- a) 2022-02-16 Park and Tree Committee Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes made by Dalton, seconded by Patton.

Voting Yea: Dalton, Shreves, Tucker, Northern, Patton

Public Comment. This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Park and Tree Committee on topics that are not listed on the agenda.

None

Budget

Finance Director Neish gave a budget update. Neish will present finance department projections at the April meeting.

Old Business

Beautification Committee Updates: Dalton gave an update. The committee is still looking for volunteers. They will be working at Husky Hill, right-of-way median, and the flagpole planter at Sankey Park. The committee would like to be involved with the Dahlenburg bridge relocation landscaping.

Ashbrook Park Tree Removal Update: Crew lead Hegge gave an update. Tucker will visit the park and determine what type of tree should replace the removed tree and have staff add it to the tree order.

Arbor Day Celebration: Staff and the Committee discussed the event. Committee members will continue to reach out to potential plant/tree vendors. Staff will order the trees. The Committee would like to invite the mayor to the event to read the proclamation. Councilor Trask will touch base with the mayor. The Public Works Department have been prepping evergreen park for the Arbor Day planting.

Weddle Bridge Maintenance and Funding Update: Patton reported that she touched base with the High School class president. Committee and staff members discussed a recent article about the bridge issues and possible steps that can be taken. Committee members have had a discussion with High School staff about partnering to deter vandalism and damage. Springman gave a maintenance update.

Dahlenburg Bridge Relocation: Committee and staff members reviewed the relocation option maps that were provided. There was a motion to move the bridge to City Hall made by Dalton and seconded by Patton. Voting Yea: Tucker, Shreves, Dalton, Northern, Patton. The committee will coordinate with Public Works staff to choose an exact location for the bridge on City Hall property.

Northside Park Committee Walk-Through: Clegg asked the committee to visit Northside Park and determine the priorities based on recent discussions. There was discussion regarding the dog park location. Committee members were encouraged to walk the park and determine the best location for the dog park.

- a) Dahlenburg Bridge Relocation Options at City Hall and Sankey Park

New Business

WWTP Upgrades / Pleasant Valley Boat Ramp Closure

Feedback from the Corp of Engineers

Northside Park Temporary Boat Ramp: Shreves and Dalton visited the park and determined that a boat ramp would not work at the Northside Park location. Clegg discussed issues that she and staff identified with the use of Northside Park; lack of parking, the boat ramp location won't work, and interruptions to regular park activities. It was determined by the Committee and staff that Northside Park would not be a good option for a temporary boat ramp during the WWTP construction. Springman is still determining options and will report back to the Committee at the April meeting.

Round Table Discussions (Committee comments about topics not listed on the agenda)

Dalton asked that the Sankey Park stage stay as an agenda topic.

Committee and Staff members discussed a future Sankey Park grant and items to include in that grant.

Clegg asked the Committee to think about donor recognition for the Lower Sankey Park project. She would like to start discussing the ideas at the April meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 AM