

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE HAILEY TREE COMMITTEE**

Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 6pm
Hailey City Hall, Council Chambers, Hailey, ID 83333

Present: City Staff: Stephanie Cook. HTC members Seth Gates, Kelly Siemon, Jim Rineholt, Katie Van Hees, David Anttila. Minutes taken by Katie Van Hees.

Guests: Michelle Griffith (ARCH), and Carl Hjelm, Arborist Alpine Tree Service

Call to Order at 6:10 pm by Vice Chair Seth Gates, sitting in for Chair Linda Ries

Public Comment - None

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Motion by Jim Rineholt to approve February 13, 2020 minutes. Second by Katie Van Hees. Minutes approved.

New Business

ARCH/Blaine Manor: HTC reviewed revised street tree/landscape plan for the **Blaine Manor Site**, 706 S. Main Street, Hailey. Application by ARCH, represented by Michelle Griffith. Arborist report by Alpine Tree Service, Carl Hjelm. There was a presentation and explanation by Michelle of ARCH. Following was a review of the tree report requested by ARCH and submitted by Hjelm of Alpine Tree. All 46 trees identified on this property were discussed. It was concluded that all trees will be removed excluding the conifer trees #1,2,3,9,and 20. (see Alpine Tree report). Four of the healthy, mature spruce trees on the north end (#43,44, 45, 46) were **encouraged to be saved** as they are all in **excellent condition**, which the arborist had stated in his report. Because of the current building location, re-alignment would need to be made to resolve this issue. ARCH agreed to use not use any of the planned ash trees bordering Maple Street and replace any planted species with mix of Class II and III trees from the current Hailey Approved Street Tree List. ARCH to decide which mix of trees to plant.

There was further discussion regarding the 25 year old crabapple trees in the city right-of-way. Besides needing replacement in the near future, they are a nuisance with fruit dropping onto the city sidewalk. Michelle from ARCH indicated they can possibly replace these trees if there are left over funds from the construction financing. HTC felt it was not the responsibility of ARCH.

HTC recommendation: Jim Rineholt motioned to approve; second by Kelly Siemon. Motion Approved by HTC with one dissenting vote by David Anttila

Other new business: Stephanie presented plans for the **Forest Service Building** at 308 S. River Street to be moved to McKercher Park on I-75 and 3rd Street. Cost may make this project unfeasible. Completion of move to be this July. No suggestions were given. Awaiting determination from the City. No motion.

Old Business

Arbor Day, April 18th: Mike McKenna and Linda Ries who are leading the ArborFest were absent. Additional suggestions from our last meeting: Seth is going to have a rope demonstration. David suggested having pictures of trees and having people point out their favorite. HTC members are asked to attend and help on a rotating schedule. Further coordination and fine tuning will be addressed at the next meeting.

Board/Staff Reports - None**Discussion of topics for Next Agenda:****Arborfest**

Guide for pre-construction and construction activities to preserve and protect trees.

Heritage Trees/tours

Getting Hailey Approved Street Tree List online/trifold brochure

Adjourn Motion to adjourn by Seth Gates, second by Jim Rineholt. Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm