Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the HAILEY TREE COMMITTEE April 9, 2020 GoToMeeting

Call to Order: 6:06pm

Attendance:

City Staff: Stephanie Cook

Committee Members: David, Antilla, Katie Van Hees, Seth Gates, Mike McKenna,

Jim Rineholt, Linda Reis, Kelly Siemon

Guests: N/A

Approval of March Minutes: Tabled until next meeting.

Public Comment: N/A

Board Staff Reports: N/A

New Business:

Blaine Manor: Hailey P & Z has decided to approve cutting down trees despite HTC advice, which was misconstrued, and without accepting suggested options. HTC has decided to send a letter to City Council to inform Councilmembers of our concerns in an attempt to save some local "legacy trees." Stephanie will formulate the letter for council outlining a handful of suggestions: Reevaluate the plan, Survey the plot to find exact building locations, Seek feedback from another arborist, Keep trees for time being to see if they can be saved during construction.

Vote: David - first, Seth – second: All approve.

<u>Tree Ordinance Update</u>: Goal is to make it simple, easy to understand and not too complicated. Guidelines are for newly planted as well as for existing mature trees. Guidelines include type of suggested irrigation, best practices for different times of year and advice for different soil types.

Old Business:

Arbor Day Celebration: Will be reassessed at the May meeting to accommodate coronavirus issues. The last day seedlings can be shipped is June 15. 100-150 will be ordered. One possibility is a Drive By, "Honk for the Trees" event at a one or several local parks or recreation areas (Balmoral, Carbonate, Quigley Canyon, or McKercher) where people can donate canned food for The Hunger Coalition in exchange for seedlings.

Discussion of topics for next meeting:

March Meeting Minutes approval, Follow up Blaine Manor issues, Tree Ordinance Update and Arbor Day celerbation.

Adjourn: 7:22pm

Next meeting: May 14 at 6pm via GoToMeeting