MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE HAILEY TREE COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 14th, 2021 at 6:00 pm

Call to Order: Chair Ries called Zoom meeting to order at 6:08 pm

Attendance: City Staff – Stephanie Cook

Committee Members: Linda Ries, Jim Rineholt, Mike McKenna, Kelly Siemon, Katie Van Hees, Seth Gates, David Anttila

Guest: None

Approval of December meetings: After a short discussion the meeting minutes were approved. Katie made the motion. Seth 2nd and all voted in favor of approving minutes as amended.

New Business:

• Seth Nominated Linda as Chair of the Tree Committee for 2021, David Seconded, all approved.
• David nominated Seth as Vice Chair and Jim seconded, all approved.
• Linda to circulate the current street tree list for review and suggestions by members for new additions (among those suggested at this meeting were Catalpa and Ginko).
• It was agreed to separate street tree recommendations from private property recommendations as street trees have specific constraints regarding size, shape, hardiness, etc.
• Expanding public outreach:
  – Through Heritage Tree announcements on the City Newsletter
  – Mountain Express Coverage (Emily, reporter)
  – Mike to develop Press Release
  – Develop artwork (Kelly), getting kids involved
  – Work crews/planting, community service (Katie)
  – Example programs include Tree Keepers, Tree Stewards, Master Gardener Programs
  – Pruning Demo online (Katie)

Old Business: The Heritage Tree announcement and nomination form were reviewed. The group discussed some options for showcasing the nominated trees – a brochure and information online, signage, and tours as possibilities.

Other old business: Kelly Siemon will send her letter for Hailey Tree Committee Extension.

Discussion of Topics for Next Agenda: HTC Members to review current tree list, research local nurseries, and select 2-3 tree species to add to the current tree list.
Adjourn: Ries adjourned meeting at 7:39 pm.

Minutes taken by David Anttila.