

Hailey Tree Committee Minutes 7/10/24

Committee Members: Linda Ries, Melanie Paisley, Kelsey Paxton, David Antilla

City Staff: Emily Williams, Sustainability and Grants Coordinator

Public: None

Call to Order: 6:04

Melanie moves to approve meeting minutes from May 8th, 2024, Jim seconds, approved unanimously.

Ellsworth Inn Trees:

- Committee expressed appreciation that the development team is preserving as many existing, mature trees as possible on the site.
- The Committee recommended that the Developer preserve the mature trees along 4th Avenue, plant uniform street trees in right of way along 3rd and 4th Ave. The Tree Committee will provide instruction to development team on how to preserve existing mature Doug Fir Tree on site.
- Kelsey made a motion to approve the above recommendation, David seconded, approved unanimously.

Tree Replacement Priorities:

- Linda made a motion for the City to place a temporary moratorium on planting trees in the Right of Way unless an arborist is present to review how the trees are planted. David seconds, approved unanimously.
- The Committee hopes to ensure that public trees being planted have the best possible chance of survival.

Hailey Heritage Trees

- Jim updated the committee on the Hailey Heritage Tree program. The goal is to install six heritage tree signs this year. The focus is on trees that are in the Right of Way that can be easily seen by the public.
- The Committee expressed a desire to create a publicly accessible database for the Heritage Trees, Emily has created a Google Map with the existing trees, and will update it to include the new trees.
- Jim made a motion to focus on the first six trees on the attached Heritage Tree list, except the Western Red Cedar, Kelsey seconded, approved unanimously.

Staff Report:

- The City is removing three deteriorating cottonwood trees from the area where the Hop Porter stage will be built this year.

The next Tree Committee meeting is scheduled for August 7.

Adjourned: 7:13PM

Heritage Trees for City of Hailey

Date approved	Type of tree(s)	Owner & address	Nominated by	Special attributes	Write-up?	Signed?	Comments
3/11/21	Douglas fir	Frank Rowland, 415 S. 5 th Ave	By owner Sue Rowland (before she died)	Age, story about when they were planted by her students	yes	no	Create Sign
6/10/2021	Giant Arborvitae or Western Red Cedar	D A Outz's family home 307 S 3 rd Ave	Linda Ries	Unique species in Hailey; native to N. Idaho	yes	no	Create Sign
4/13/2023	Ponderosa Pine	Norma Hepworth- 416 E Silver	Jim Rineholt	33.8 ", planted by homeowner	yes	no	Create Sign
July HTC?	Englemann Spruce	St. Charles Bartholomew Catholic Church- 313 S. 1 st Ave.	Linda Ries?	Tree – SE corner, native species (over 30 inches diameter) and story	no	no	
July HTC?	Autumn Blaze maple	South side of McKercher Park	?	Planted in 1996 to honor Roberta McKercher (have old photos)	yes	no	
July HTC?	Western 'white pine – state tree	City of Hailey Native Plant Arboretum- Fox Acres Rd and WR Trail	Linda Ries	Blister rust resistant tree from U of I, planted 1996	no	no	
8/13/2023	Heirloom Pear Tree	Removed from Main St.	Kristin Fletcher/ Jim Rineholt	Several trees were successfully grafted	yes	no	Work on plan for signage
Future Consideration							
	Western white pine	Behind Hailey Paint	Carl Hjelm	Planted??	no	no	No response from owner
	Siberian elm	Hailey Coffee Co. S. Main & Walnut (NW Corner)	Kelly Siemon	Large tree, story of preservation?	no	no	Cars parking close are a concern. May need more protection.

	Norway spruce	Jim Hill, 103 N 3 rd Ave		29.6" diameter, 85 ft tall	no	no	
	Ponderosa pine	Jim Hill, 103 N 3 rd Ave		28 " diameter, 75 ft tall	No	no	
	Black Walnut (2)	Jim Hill, 103 N 3 rd Ave					
	Sugar maple	Jim Hill, " "		Still there?	no	no	
	Cottonwoods	Justin Stevenson 3 rd (Croy-Bullion)		On alley, still there?	no	no	
	Cottonwood	City ROW, Bullion & S 3 rd Ave, on NW corner			yes		
	English elms*	Marcelle & Ridley Pearson 3 rd & Pine, SW	Linda Ries?	46" + inch diameter, very old – dates back to old ditch irrigation?	no		
	American/English elms	3 rd – between Croy and Bullion	Brian, Karine Formusa		no		

Comments from Carl Hjelm:

1. *Ridley and Marcelle Pearson, at Third and Pine, have two very large **American (or English?) Elm trees** in the yard just north of the house, best maintained and healthiest.
2. On Third Ave between Carbonate and Galena, east side, is a **majestic spruce** that I think worthy of consideration.
3. In the back yard of the residence at 120 2nd ave north are some big **Ponderosa pines** that are some of my favorite trees in the valley.

NOTES:

Let's look for some healthy mature Ponderosa pine, Lodgepole pine, Norway spruce, Juniper, old fruit trees (apple, pear, apricot) and unique species to nominate

Let's be mindful of tree location- ensure public access is not intrusive to resident/business.

Hailey Heritage Trees Completed w/ Signage:

Date Approved	Type of Tree(s)	Owner/ Address	Nominated By	Special Attributes	Sign completed?	Date of Installation
2/11/2021	Douglas Fir	Grange Hall 100 S. 2 nd Avenue	Manon Gandreau	Age, story	Yes	9/1/2023
3/11/2021	Maples (6)	Harris Apts. 302-310 S. Main St	Owner, Ralph Harris	History of trees; planted around 1940	Yes	9/1/2023
4/8/2021	Norway maple(s)	Masonic Hall, 100 S. 2nd Ave (at Bullion corner)	Ted Angle	Planted after 1937, history of site	yes	9/1/2023
6/10/2021	Silver Maple	Main Street (by CK's)	Sharon Barnes	Large Shade Tree	yes	9/1/2023
7/15/2021	Norway Spruce (2)	Blaine County Courthouse, 1 st Street	Rebecca Cox, BC Historical Museum	Story about planting, planted c. 1928	yes	9/1/2023
7/15/21	Larch	Jim Hill 103 N 3rd	Seth Gates	36.7 " diameter, 80 ft tall	yes	9/1/2023
7/15/21	Horse Chestnut	Jim Hill 103 N 3rd	Seth Gates	15.7 " diameter	yes	9/1/2023
8/12/2021	Honey Locust (2)	Ray, Sharon Grosvenor 4 th & Carbonate	Seth Gates	Tree on east is healthiest	yes	9/1/2023

Updated: 06/28/2024