



**City of Poulsbo  
Poulsbo Tree Board  
Poulsbo City Hall**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Regular Meeting Minutes</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>March 13, 2017</b>
<b>Recorder</b>	Mary McCluskey	<b>Start Time</b>	7:00 pm
<b>Committee Chair</b>	Bill Lockard	<b>End time</b>	
<b>Committee Members Present</b>	Joan Hett, Gayle Larson, Jim Leary, Bill Lockard		
<b>Staff Present</b>	Mary McCluskey, Parks and Recreation; Joe Walker, Public Works; Kevin McFarland, Sound Urban Forestry		

**Agenda**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Action/Recommendation/Discussion</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Administrative</b>	
A.	Questions & Concerns of the Committee	None
B.	Agenda and Extended Agenda Review	None
C.	Approval of Minutes: 01/09/2017	M/S/A JL/JH
<b>2.</b>	<b>Comments from Citizens</b>	None
<b>3.</b>	<b>Agenda items</b>	
A.	Centennial Tree Project/Arbor Day	The Arbor Day committee met in February. They are recommending that the Arbor Day celebration be Saturday, April 22, 11am at Centennial Park. They have recommended a Katsura tree. Bill will check with Valley Nursery on availability. Mary will do publicity. Stephanie presented her three options for tree signage. The cost of 25 signs will be about \$318 through Alpine Signs. She has applied for Poulsbo Garden Club funds, but the board agreed that the Urban Forestry budget would pay for them. Public Works has the posts for the signs, which save quite a bit of money. These will be cemented in the ground. The QR code will be hosted by Google.
B.	Heritage Tree Program	Jim Leary reported that Bill, Joan and Jim met with the Community Services Committee in February. They had a couple of suggested changes, which Jim has made. He said that they were very supportive of this type of

		<p>program. There was conversation about tree canopy and that trees planted by early settlers represent a portal to the past. The property owner would take care of the maintenance of the tree, but the City Arborist could be consulted if a tree looks to be diseased or a potential hazard tree. Another topic of discussion was how to set it up so that the tree could “go with the property.” A suggestion was to make it a covenant to run with the property. Mary needs to run the program and suggested covenant by the City Attorney prior to the program going to the full City Council.</p>
C.	Subcommittee Reports: Events; Education	<p>Events: No report.</p> <p>Education: Gayle reported that the March 12 Pruning class at Nelson Park went very well. There were 29 people in the class. The Tree Basics class on March 9 had 27 people, and Bess did a great job.</p> <p>New classes: The education committee has set up the following spring/summer classes: Spring Tree Walk April 26. Summer Tree Walk June 27. Summer Pruning on July 8.</p> <p>The topic for the Urban and Community Forestry series this year will be <i>Cultivating Resilient Communities</i>. The Poulsbo seminar will be Wednesday, May 10 from 8:30am-12:30pm.</p>
D.	BI Redwood Tree Planting Project (Bill)	<p>Bill recently read an article in the KitsapSun about cloning Coastal Redwoods on Bainbridge Island. Starter trees have been sent to a lab to grow, and will be returned to the Bainbridge Park District for planting. Joan commented that assisted migration is being done in other parts of the country.</p>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Department Reports</b>	
A.	City Arborist	<p>Kevin and Mary participated in a Celebration Tree planting on March 10 for Steve Foster. He planted a 10’ Alaskan Yellow Cedar and installed the plaque at Fish Park. Both Celebration trees at Fish Park will need water this summer.</p>
B.	Public Works	<p>Joe reported that the City is currently doing tree trimming. Viking Avenue lost another tree this winter. PW requested and Urban Forestry e purchased \$600 in tree tools.</p>
C.	Parks & Recreation	<p>Mary reported that she has applied for three small Centennial Park grants. If successful, volunteers will be heeded to remove invasives, replant the creek and build trails.</p>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Misc. Board Comments</b>	None

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Mary McCluskey