

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Carson City Shade Tree Council
Wednesday, August 5, 2015 ● 5:30 PM
Community Center Sierra Room, 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada

Board Members

Chair – Gianna Shirk Vice Chair – Gary Borst
Member – Terrill Ozawa Member – Jens Peermann
Member – Roy Trenoweth

Staff

Roger Moellendorf, Parks and Recreation Department Director
Jennifer Mayhew, Deputy District Attorney
Tamar Warren, Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (5:29:23) – Chairperson Shirk called the meeting to order at 5:29 p.m. Roll was called. A quorum was present.

Attendee Name	Status	Arrived
Gianna Shirk	Present	
Gary Borst	Present	
Terrill Ozawa	Present	
Jens Peermann	Present	
Roy Trenoweth	Present	

PUBLIC COMMENTS

(5:29:50) – David Howlett, Urban and Community Forestry Program Manager with the Nevada Division of Forestry (NDF), introduced Anna Higgins, the new Western Region Resource Management Officer.

1. ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

(5:31:04) – MOTION: I move to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2015 Carson City Shade Tree Council meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Ozawa
SECONDER:	Peermann
AYES:	Shirk, Borst, Ozawa, Peermann, Trenoweth
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	None

2. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

(5:31:21) – None.

3. MEETING ITEMS

A. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: REGARDING THE ABSENCE OF ANY COUNCIL MEMBER FROM THIS MEETING.

(5:31:40) – All Council members were present.

B. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: REGARDING APPROVING THE NOMINATION OF A HANKOW WILLOW, LOCATED ON THAMES DRIVE NEAR LONG RANCH PARK FOR THE REGISTRATION, OF NEVADA BIG TREES BY ROD HAULENBEEK.

(5:32:04) – Chairperson Shirk introduced the item, and noted that it had been proposed by Rod Haulenbeek. Mr. Moellendorf gave additional background and noted that said tree was the largest Hankow Willow in Nevada. Mr. Howlett explained that the process comprised of a “point system” that evaluated the height, circumference, and an average canopy spread of a tree. Mr. Haulenbeek confirmed that the tree was on City property.

There were no additional public comments.

(5:31:04) – MOTION: I move to nominate this Hankow Willow to the [Nevada] Big Trees Registry.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Ozawa
SECONDER:	Borst
AYES:	Shirk, Borst, Ozawa, Peermann, Trenoweth
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	None

C. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: REGARDING THE PLANNING FOR THE ANNUAL FALL TREE CARE WORKSHOP.

(5:39:38) – Chairperson Shirk introduced the item and reviewed the logistical items related to the Workshop, including a brochure drafted by Member Peermann. Discussion ensued regarding speakers and topics and Chairperson Shirk referred to a list which is incorporated into the record. Member Ozawa suggested a presentation regarding the types of fruit trees to plant in this climate. Chairperson Shirk noted that lunch would not be provided and the that participants would have a lunch break to explore many of the City’s eating establishments. She also stated that this was a fundraiser, the proceeds of which would fund events such as the Arbor Day Celebration, adding that a lot of work was needed after this meeting. Discussion ensued regarding individual tree issues. Member Peermann wished to delete the term “Fall” and return to the name “Seminar” instead of “workshop”. It was agreed to keep the term “Fall” for now.

There were no additional public comments.

(6:04:05) – MOTION: I move to approve the plan for the 2015 Fall Tree Care Seminar for Thursday, November 12, 2015, 8:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m., with topics including permaculture, agroforestry, the tree inventory, care techniques, fruit trees, drought tolerant trees, mulch, and water management. Speakers will include Dave Howlett, Tom Henderson, Rod Haulenbeek, Molly Sinnott, Casey Schmidt, Anna Higgins, and Dale Carlon.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Ozawa
SECONDER:	Peermann
AYES:	Shirk, Borst, Ozawa, Peermann, Trenoweth
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	None

4. NON-ACTION ITEMS

A. UPDATE ON THE URBAN FORESTRY GRANT TREE INVENTORY PROJECT.

(6:07:59) – Mr. Moellendorf presented the agenda materials and read into the record an email from Dale Carlon, tree inventory consultant, both of which are incorporated into the record. He also noted that the Carson Street tree inventory would be on hold due to the upcoming changes as a result of Downtown Street Project.

There were no public comments.

B. REPORT ON VANDALIZED TREES AT PETE LIVERMORE SPORTS COMPLEX.

(6:11:45) – Mr. Moellendorf presented the expenditures related to the damaged tree replacement, with accompanying photographs, both of which are incorporated into the record. He also noted that arrests had been made for the vandalism.

There were no public comments.

C. REPORTS ONLY – NO DISCUSSION AMONG MEMBERS OR WITH STAFF WILL TAKE PLACE ON.

STATUS REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM STAFF

There were no reports from Staff.

MEMBERS’ ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

(6:13:51) – Member Ozawa noted that she would like to donate a large tree to a City office. She also reported on an art tree project that was grafted to produce 40 different kinds of fruit, adding that she would forward the article to Kyle Horvath, Executive Director of the Brewery Arts Center. Member Peermann stated that in a recent trip to California, he had discovered a weeping olive tree, and explained that it was drought-resistant. Member Peermann noted that he would find out more about the tree and report back in a future meeting. Chairperson Shirk explained that she had received information from a member of the public regarding the condition of the

trees “near the old Kmart building” and noted that she would like the item agendized for future discussion.

There were no public comments.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(6:17:50) – Planning for the 2015 Fall Tree Care Seminar and the 2016 Arbor Day Celebration.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

(6:18:37) – None.

7. ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT (6:18:50) – Member Ozawa moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Member Peermannn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

The Minutes of the August 5, 2015 Carson City Shade Tree Council meeting are so approved this, 7th day of October, 2015.

GIANNA SHIRK, Chair