

Oregon Tree Commission
Board Meeting
Apr 6, 2022

Attendees: Kayse Rushford, Rachel Brunner, Tyler Hagemann, Grant Afflerbaugh, Darin DeHaan

Absent: Mark Herman

In Mark's absence, Rachel called the meeting to order at 2:30pm. Kayse voted to approve the March 9, 2022 meeting minutes and Tyler seconded.

Darin requested that we start with other business: an application for a tree placement in the terrace. The request was for a weeping cherry tree. Considering the location of the property (a corner lot) and the nature of the tree species (short with hanging branches), Tyler recommended not approving the application due to potential line of sight issues. All committee members agreed.

The committee then moved into reviewing the tree ordinance. The committee made several recommendations to edit and/or review once we have more information, including, but not limited to the following sections: 1.3 preservation, 1.5 tree care, 1.8 tree removal, 1.9 tree replacement, 1.12 nuisance trees, and 1.13 a. Invasive woody plants. Some of the changes will be small edits to the language, some will deal with whether or not an arborist is required, other edits will be more substantial based on a review of the American National Standards Institute (for tree species and guidelines) and conversations with Terry Plemmons.

The discussion of the Tree USA requirements was tabled for the next meeting due to time constraints.

Kayse moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:29pm, Grant seconded the motion.

Next meeting is set for Wednesday, May 18th at 5:00pm at City Hall.

Rachel Brunner, Secretary

Attest: _____