



Our Mission: *To foster an environment of economic growth and opportunity through effective partnerships with our citizens, businesses, and visitors while maintaining a high standard for quality of life in a progressive community which embraces its heritage.*

**City of Oregon
Tree Board Agenda
Tuesday, July 15th, 2025 @ 4:30 pm.**

115 N 3rd Street

City Hall Conference Room

Public Comment

1. Approve Regular Meeting Minutes of May 20th, 2025
2. Update on Bird City
3. Review and Discuss Urban Tree Management Planning
4. New Business
5. Adjournment

Next Meeting Scheduled for September 16th at 4:30 pm.

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Chairperson: Mark Herman
Secretary:
Jordan Plock, Street Foreman
Bill Covell, Dir. Of Public Works (Ex-officio)

Tyler Hagemann
Grant Afferbaugh
Caleb Jenks
Darin DeHaan, City Manager (Ex-officio)

Tree Board Minutes
Tuesday May 20th, 2025, 4:30 pm
115 N 3rd Street

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Attendees: Grant Afflerbaugh, Bill Covell, Darin DeHaan, Mark Herman, Tyler Hagemann, Cheryl Hilton, Tom Pacey, Josh Pickering, Jordan Plock, and Terry Schuster.

Mark Herman called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

No public comment.

Mark Herman moved to approve March 18th, 2025 minutes, Seconded by Jordan Plock.

Motion carried. No Nays.

Update on Tree Plantings: The public works department has finished the 1st round of tree plantings. About thirty trees have been planted and another twenty-five are planned to be planted this year. The recent storms have been hard on the recently planted trees. Tie down kits have been ordered to help with the leaning trees. The committee discussed the PH of the water being used to water the trees. They also discussed tree plantings on the highway. Bill is checking the regulations with IDOT. An Arbor Day event was held at the city dog park.

Update on Bird City: Caleb, Terry and Tom have been working on the Bird City designation. They organized a bird counting event and Caleb documented everything. A proclamation was made by the Mayor and a resolution passed by the City Council.

Forestry Plan: When the city applied for Tree City, Morton Arboretum asked for the city to create a forestry plan. The plan would create a strong future for the protection of trees. Grants can be applied for to help with costs. The city will need to look at larger tree planting opportunities. Darin said he would bring some examples of other forestry plan to the next meeting.

Other Business: Quentin Snook has decided not to join the Tree Board.

Bill Covell moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Mark Herman.

Meeting adjourned at 5:04 pm.

Submitted by Cheryl Hilton, City Clerk.