

Tree and Landscape Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday, June 17, 2021

10:00 a.m.

305 SW A Street, Bentonville, AR

Zoom Meeting – the public and non-committee members may contact dsemsrott@bentonvillear.com to request participation via Zoom.

Mission Statement: The City of Bentonville Tree & Landscape Advisory Committee serves as an advisory committee to the City Council and to City Staff working to maintain, improve, renew and protect the urban forest in public rights-of-way, as well as to share information with the public, enhance appreciation of trees, promote proper tree care, and encourage participation in the development of Bentonville's urban forest.

Tagline: Grow with trees.

Members

Gulizar Baggson, 8/11/23

Vacant Position, 11/14/23

Nathan Lembke, Chair,

7/25/23

David Short, 5/23/23

Jessie Wagner, Vice-Chair,

8/11/23

Ralph Weber, 12/31/21

Ex-Officio City Council

Holly Hook, 12/31/21

Staff

Shelli Kerr, Comprehensive
Planning Manager

Danielle Semsrott, Senior
Planner

Geoff Braga, Urban Forester

Emily Krol, Horticulturalist

AGENDA

OPEN MEETING - Meeting is being recorded.

CURRENT BUSINESS

1. **Meeting Summary Approval**
 - April 15th and May 13th

2. **Spirit of Bentonville Award – Congrats T & L Committee!**

Program

The Spirit of Bentonville Award was initiated in 2020 by Mayor Stephanie Orman and is presented for outstanding contributions to the community. By spotlighting these individuals and groups who toil with a smile in relative anonymity, we are actually reflecting upon the quality of citizenship in our community.

Nominees

These quiet heroes are sprinkled throughout the City of Bentonville. They perform deeds silently or with an assuring voice, without fanfare, without the expectation of reward or honor. They serve with grace and humility.

3. **Fall Tree Giveaway – October 24th**

4. **Tree Canopy Assessment Final Report**
<https://spaces.hightail.com/space/oseeCqCWZC/files>

5. **Tree Preservation & Protection Working Group**

- Led by Tyler Overstreet
- First meeting July 8th

6. **Residential Landscaping Award Nominations**

- 1704 NE Chapel Hill Drive – June winner
- SW D Street between SW 2nd & SW 3rd Streets – new nomination

- 231 S Main Street – existing nomination
- 4100 SW Heartwood Street – existing nomination
- Winner selection due July 6th

OTHER BUSINESS

1. New T & L Committee city staff lead

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