



Urban Forestry Board  
Wednesday, March 20, 2015 – 11:00 A.M.  
520 E Cascade Avenue, Sisters, OR 97759

Board Members:	Jerry Bertagna, Dave Moyer, Marcus Peck
Absent Members:	David Magaret, Patrick Burke
Public Works Director:	Paul Bertagna
City Recorder:	Kathy Nelson

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

**Board Member Moyer** called the March 20, 2015 Urban Forestry Board workshop to order at 11:10 a.m. noting it was a continuation of the March 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### II. VISITOR COMMUNICATIONS - None

#### III. HAZARD TREES

**Director Bertagna** reported he had contacted the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) in regard to the dead trees at Creekside Park as noted in a March 12<sup>th</sup> email from Board Member Jerry Bertagna. Board Member Bertagna's email outlined his findings and concern that the trees were infested with Ips beetles and should be removed as soon as possible to stop the spread of beetle infestation to adjoining trees in the park. **Director Bertagna** stated his communication with Kammie Bunes, OPRD Acquisition and Property Specialist, indicated that removal of dead, diseased or dangerous trees was allowed per the 1985 deed. He stated she had recommended the City retain documentation of the conditions of the diseased trees. He stated he'd had a certified arborist look at the trees in question who agreed with the Board Member Bertagna's findings that the trees were dead and/or dying and should be removed as soon as possible. **Director Bertagna** reported he was expecting the written report from the arborist later in the day which could be included with the documentation also.

**Director Bertagna** stated he City Parks Advisory Board (CPAB) would be meeting on March 25<sup>th</sup> and he would inform them of the findings and recommendations for the trees. He added he hoped to have the diseased trees removed by Thursday or Friday of next week.

#### IV. FIELD TRIP

At 11:15 a.m. the Urban Forestry Board members, along with Director Bertagna, went on a field trip to Village Green Park to inspect the parking /pedestrian project, inspect a tree suspected of begin a hazard so the Board could provide a recommendation. The group also went to inspect the City's tree nursery.

#### V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

**Board Member Moyer** reconvened the Urban Forestry Board at 12:20 p.m. upon return from the field trip.

He requested Director Bertagna create a map illustrating where the trees recommended for removal in Village Green were located. The trees recommended for removal included:

- 18" Juniper on the north side
- 13" Juniper on the south side
- 13" Poplar on the south side

The recommended mitigation was for every tree removed, one 2" caliper tree be planted. **Director Bertagna** replied he would draft the map and send to the Board members. The **Board** agreed.

**VI. ADJOURN**

**Board Member Moyer** adjourned the workshop at 12:22 p.m. p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Nelson, City Recorder