Brian Head Town
Tree Commission Meeting
Brian Head Town Hall
May 20, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dutch Deutschlander (Town Resident), Lynn Mulder (Town Council Representative), Tom Gurr (Public Works Department Representative), Rick Valentine (Town Resident), and Cecilia Johnson (Tree Commission Secretary)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Shelly Calloway (Chair & Town Resident), Cecile Wallis (Town Resident)

PUBLIC PRESENT: Dan Benson (Town Marshal/Fire Chief)

CALL TO ORDER: Cecilia Johnson called the Tree Commission meeting to order at 10:13 a.m. Shelly Calloway was not feeling well and was unable to attend the Tree Commission meeting. Cecile Wallis was at work and was also unable to attend the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – OCTOBER 15, 2018 TREE COMMISSION MEETING: Upon a motion by Lynn Mulder, which was seconded by Rick Valentine, the minutes of the October 15, 2018 Tree Commission meeting were approved as written. Tom Gurr and Dutch Deutschlander voted in favor. Shelly Calloway and Cecile Wallis were absent. Motion passed and minutes were approved.

Mr. Deutschlander noted Rick Valentine moved to approve the minutes **before** he was sworn in at the last meeting. However, the Town Council had already moved to appoint him to the Tree Commission at one of their Council meetings in 2018.

REVIEW OF PROPOSED PROCLAMATION SETTING DATE FOR 2019 ARBOR DAY: It was noted that Arbor Day has usually been scheduled for the second Wednesday of June each year. Arbor Day is held in conjunction with the Town's annual clean-up day. The Tree Commission discussed setting the Arbor Day celebration a little later this year because of all the snow on the mountain. It is currently snowing today and there is still more snow expected these last couple of weeks in May.

The Tree Commission recommended that Arbor Day be held on Wednesday, June 26, 2019 this year. Cecilia Johnson will put the Arbor Day Proclamation on the next Town Council agenda for approval.

DISCUSSION OF 2019 ARBOR DAY PROGRAM: For the 2019 Arbor Day program, the Tree Commission suggested that Dan Benson (Town Marshal and Fire Chief) talk about fire mitigation. He was present at today's meeting and accepted the appointment to be the presenter at the Arbor Day program.

TREE COMMISSION REPORTS: Rick Valentine mentioned he watched a Tree Line video on You-Tube that was interesting. It talked about Bristlecone Pine Trees and other species of trees. He suggested the Tree Commission members look it up and watch it if they get a chance.

Lynn Mulder liked the idea of tying tree mitigation with the Arbor Day tree celebration.

Dutch Deutschlander suggested Brian Head Town obtain a spade truck and transplant some Aspen trees here in Brian Head. It was stated the Tree Commission talked about this last year. Mr. Deutschlander feels the trees will have a better chance of growing if we transplant the trees that are already acclimated up here instead of purchasing the trees from a local nursery.

It was reported that there is $2,500 in the FY 2020 budget that has been earmarked specifically for planting trees. The FY 2020 budget is from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. The Public Works crew prepared the ground for planting trees around the pond last fall. We will meet at a later date to discuss tree planting.

ADJOURN: Upon a motion by Lynn Mulder, which was seconded by Rick Valentine, the Tree Commission meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m.