

November 1, 2022 Draper Tree Committee meeting notes

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approval of October 4th, 2022 Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of Calendar for 2023 Meeting Schedule 1. Decide on July 2023 meeting-cancel or reschedule
4. Follow up on Action Items
5. Public Education 1. Discussion about 2023 and any new ideas
6. Follow up on 1300 E and Highland Drive projects
 1. 1300 East tree selection change and new sections without trees
 2. Highland Drive tree replacement
7. City Updates
 1. City resources for city code revision and new street tree soil specifications
 2. City Hall
 3. JVVCD guidelines adoption and pursuit of grant money
 4. New city projects
8. Committee Member Reports
9. Adjournment

Attendees:

David Cloward

Matt Evans

Todd

Lisa Wilcox

Taylor Parker

Rhett Ogden

Janet Simonich

Jocelyn Kessler

Jennifer Jastremsky

2023 Meeting schedule proposed with same day and times, but to skip July and December. A vote was taken and approved.

We discussed adding new public education classes

Irrigation class - Lisa just went through a class put on by USU and hands on class, Lehi city staff attended - 4 weeks - 2 hrs each time

Question is could we do a class if we needed to charge for it

Ideas for classes:

- Choosing plants
- Localscapes - they may have an irrigation class
- Tree selection and planting
- Other irrigation

We could have links on our site to other sites to promote it as a resource, but may not be able to list or promote it as a Draper event

Sub committees proposed

- Michelle Coker - Public Education
- Dave Cloward - Interface with the city/manage committee - Street tree planing
- Janet Simonich - Code revisions - city best practices
- Laura Bakker - City projects - tree recommendations and street tree guide
- Lisa Wilcox - content for website
- Josh Young - Website
- Matt Evans - Arbor Day Foundation and Tree funding (such as Tree Utah and Ivory Homes)
- Jocelyn Kessler - Marketing and promotion

Tree funding - Tree Utah gets funding to plant trees in public spaces

Staff is looking at codes - Fred is looking at an RFP to completely rewrite the code - could take a couple of years

JVWCD - city gets better rates if they adopt the water ordinances - the city is reviewing that.

Planning is working with Engineering. Hoping to get something before planning and zoning council.

Some focus points for Tree committee for codes:

- Sod in park strips
- Parking lot diamonds
- Soil conditions for street trees

City is already looking at some of these things - we want to have discussions before the draft is ready

Todd Draper is spearheading the code changes

Rhett and Dave proposed a working session on Tree committee recommendations for the code changes

Lisa Wilcox shared personal example of her own home - replacement trees were planted in the same hole without any soil amendment to fix the root cause of the problem of the trees dying in the first place

Dave proposed small group working session on street tree planting spec

Current projects:

- Dave asked if we could replace trees on Highland drive by planting them just farther into the hill since there isn't a sidewalk. Todd said that is a budget question.
- 1300 East - we asked why Stephen Dailey homes did not replace trees on his development. Jennifer did not know and will research

Actions:

- Dave to follow up on sub-committees to have their own meetings
- Michelle to look at spring class options in addition to Localscapes
- Lisa to see if we can post Laura's presentation on tree selection, planting and pruning
- Matt to contact Tree Utah

- Jennifer to talk with Todd Draper about meeting with sub committee from tree committee on code changes
- Jennifer to look into Stephen Dailey development and why trees were not replaced
- Dave to follow up with Todd and create working session on Street tree planting