

MOSCOW TREE COMMISSION



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Agenda

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5:00 PM

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Call to order

1. Announcements

a. Introduction of Jeanne Leffingwell

2. Approval of Minutes from March 3, 2020 (ACTION ITEM) - Kadlec

ACTION: Approve minutes as presented; approve minutes with amendments; or take other such actions deemed appropriate.

3. Public Comment Period

Only for items not listed on the agenda, including responses to previous comments/questions from the public.

4. Consideration of the Vacant 2020 Vice-Chair Position (ACTION ITEM) – Kadlec

Due to the resignation of Lauren King, a vacancy has opened for the Vice-Chair of the Tree Commission.

ACTION: Commission shall nominate and vote on the 2020 Vice-Chair position.

5. Consideration of the Vacant 2020 Secretary Position (ACTION ITEM) – Kadlec

ACTION: If necessary, commission shall nominate and vote on the 2020 Secretary position.

6. Consideration of 2020 Arbor Day Date and Venue (ACTION ITEM) – Schott

With the April 24, 2020 Arbor Day postponed until October due to COVID-19, the Tree Commission will discuss the date and venue for the 2020 Arbor Day celebration. Based on the July 7, 2020 Tree Commission discussion a small venue to celebrate Arbor Day is preferred. Any celebration will include COVID – 19 safety protocols. Discuss Harvest Park as location for the 2020 Arbor Day celebration to plant the first tree in the park.

ACTION: Discuss and approve Arbor Day date and venue or take other such action deemed appropriate.

7. Climate Change Impacts Assessment for Moscow (ACTION ITEM) – Kadlec

Debbie Kadlec, Chair of the Tree Commission, is a member of the Sustainable Environment Commission sub committee to examine the potential climate changes in Moscow. However, she wishes to seek interest from other members of the Tree Commission to fill her position on the subcommittee.

ACTION: Select and approve a member of the Tree Commission to take on the duties of the climate subcommittee of the Sustainable Environment Commission or take other such action deemed appropriate.

8. Discussion: Downtown Tree Replacement Project – Schott

The Downtown trees add to a vibrant City of Moscow Downtown. However, some of the trees planted in the early 1980s are showing signs of decline. A tree replacement plan must be in place as trees are removed and replaced in the upcoming years. The City of Moscow revised Strategic Plan would like a plan for the Downtown trees completed by FY2021. This item is intended to give staff guidance and direction for the general concepts of the plan. A draft plan will then be brought to the Tree Commission for consideration, revisions, and approval later this year.

ACTION: No action, discussion item.

9. Discussion: September Utility Bill Newsletter – Schott

The City of Moscow has recently been including a newsletter as part of the monthly utility bill. The City received a request from the public to include a message about the benefits of trees to our community. The submittal deadline is August 20th. Commission will discuss general ideas and themes to be included in the new letter.

ACTION: No action, discussion item.

Open Discussion:

Adjourn

Next meeting: September 1, 2020

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