

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

AGENDA

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING

MARCH 17, 2021

5:30 p.m.

VIA ZOOM

<https://zoom.us/j/95147361566?pwd=S2N6bnRSbHVqZkdwaFJEVkhVNFZQT09>

Meeting ID: 951 4736 1566

Passcode: 197873

Dial 1 346 248 7799

or 1 669 900 6833

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES/REVIEW FINANCIAL REPORT
 - A. Approval of March 3, 2021 Beautification Minutes
 - B. Review February Financial Report
5. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION
6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Long-Term

- A. Welcome Signs
- B. Trees
- C. Beautification Award
- D. Community Clean Up

Short-Term

- E. Kelly Triangle
- F. Business Owner Brainstorming on hold

CITY OF THE DALLES

"By working together, we will provide services that enhance the vitality of The Dalles"

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

7. ACTION ITEMS

A. Downtown Clock Light – funding

8. NEW BUSINESS – if any

9. Next Meeting: April 7, 2021
Items for next meeting:

10. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting conducted Via ZOOM

Prepared by/
Izetta Grossman, CMC
City Clerk

CITY OF THE DALLES

"By working together, we will provide services that enhance the vitality of The Dalles"

MINUTES

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING

March 3, 2021

VIA ZOOM

PRESIDING: Tiffany Prince

MEMBERS PRESENT: Connie Krummrich, John Nelson, Bill Lennox, Max Butensky

ABSENT: John Nelson

GUEST: Mayor Rich Mays

Staff Liaison: Izetta Grossman, CMC, City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

President Tiffany Prince called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Izetta Grossman conducted roll call; John Nelson absent

President Tiffany Prince asked Grossman to explain the new agenda format.

Grossman said the City was working on making all agendas follow the basic format of the City Council agenda. She said the committee could decide to have the agendas always list all the committee reports, and then not give a report if there was nothing to report, or eliminate items that don't have a report prior to the meeting/report coming after the deadline. She said reports after the deadline would be sent to all members and added to the minutes.

Grossman said items could always be added at a meeting before approval of the agenda. She said it was important for the history of the committee to have the background reports.

It was moved by Butensky and seconded by Lennox to list only those items with reports or reports coming on the agenda. The motion carried 5 to 0; Nelson absent.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

"To add to the rich cultural history of our place; share the beauty of our community; and instill a sense of pride in our public, private, and communal outdoor spaces."

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Long-Term

Welcome Signs

Butensky reported the sub-committee had met with Dave Anderson, Public Works Director and Dawn Hert, Senior Planner.

He said they were working on specific criteria for the design contest, such as official slogan/logo. He said the East side sign would not be as artistic as the West side sign.

Mayor Mays suggested keeping it simple. He said people don't notice a lot of words.

Grossman suggested the sub committee invite the Mayor back to a meeting before the final criteria was decided on.

Stop the Drop/Community Clean-ups

Krummrich reported that the next clean up would be March 13, not March 6 as previously noted in the minutes. The group would meet and organize at Thompson Park at 10 am.

She asked if any of the committee would be coming. She said she needed one more crew leader.

Prince said she wasn't available until Distinguished Young Women Program was complete. She said she would be available in April.

Merrill said she would be able to attend as crew leader.

Trees

Merrill said she and Lennox had an informative meeting with Terry Harkrader and Jerry Johnson who work for the City and are in charge of tree maintenance.

Lennox said they take on a lot of work for the City. He said they provided information from them, that had been sent out separate of the agenda (attached). He said a lot of work had been done to find the best trees for the area. He said working with the City to create a plan to keep the trees healthy would be the next steps.

As a side note, Lennox mentioned that Jerry Anderson said it would cost \$1500 to fix the Gayer's Clock so that it would also light up at night. Lennox asked the item be put on the next agenda.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

"To add to the rich cultural history of our place; share the beauty of our community; and instill a sense of pride in our public, private, and communal outdoor spaces."

MINUTES

Beautification Committee Meeting

March 3, 2021

Page 3 of 5

Merrill reported the following take away from the conversation with Mr. Anderson and Mr. Harkrader:

- Lack of consistent watering (under contract)
- Heat from cars – car doors hitting the trees – people bending or ripping out the trees
- Businesses pouring cleaning water on the trees
- Current contractor supposed to be weeding
- Maybe add a weed killer at base

Merrill reported:

Gorge Arbor Care quote \$1050 to trim 21 trees on Second Street

Arborist report: 36 hours; 3-4 pages at \$300/page; \$900 to \$1200

Report covered: Health; damage; sustainability (water/fertilizing needs)

Lennox said he would contact an arborist in Hood River for a quote. He said he would like the report before trimming the trees. He said the report would help Johnson and Harkrader make decisions.

Beautification Award

Prince reported the next award would be in April.

She said the Sub Committee Nelson, Merrill; Prince going off; Butensky going on (3-month terms).

After some discussion it was the consensus of the Committee that Butensky would take on the task of keeping the nomination/award spreadsheet up to date. Any nominations should be directed to him.

Short-Term

Kelly Triangle

Krummrich said she and Butensky had met and started brainstorming ideas. She said they contacted Public Works Director Anderson and he directed them to work with Cindy Keever.

Butensky said the brainstorming came up with wind, river theme; river bed with rocks; windsocks. He said they would work with Cindy Keever.

Lennox said the triangle at 10th and Kelly was planted every year by Powell's Funeral Home. He suggested working with them.

Benches/Trashcans/Outdoor fixtures

Prince said no official report. Lennox said the City was working on refinishing/fixing the benches.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

"To add to the rich cultural history of our place; share the beauty of our community; and instill a sense of pride in our public, private, and communal outdoor spaces."

Business Owner Brainstorming

Things to consider:

- What is the best mechanism for communicating with the business owners
- Who can send queries out to the business community
- Look into joining a committee of Main Street/Chamber to work together
- Get on the Chamber Governmental Affairs Committee agenda

Mayor Mays suggested contacting Don Warren from Main Street. Merrill said she would reach out to Warren.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of the February 22, 2021 Beautification Committee Minutes

Krummrich asked that the date of the March community clean up be fixed in the minutes.

It was moved by Lennox and seconded by Butensky to approve the minutes of the February 22 meeting minutes as amended. The motion carried 5 to 0; Nelson absent.

DISCUSSION ITEMS/OTHER BUSINESS

Filling vacancies on the Committee

Mayor Mays said the Committee was set up to have 7 to 9 members. He reviewed the process:

- Committee encourage people to apply – have people call him
- Applications sent to staff liaison
- Staff liaison sends to Mayor
- Mayor will vet applications
- Mayor encourages applicants to contact Merrill or Butensky for more information/attend a meeting
- Mayor will appoint

Prince asked about two applications sent a year or so ago. Mayor Mays said neither are still in the area.

It was the consensus to fill all nine positions, if possible.

Mayor Mays asked Grossman to advertise the openings on the Beautification Committee.

The next meeting will be April 7, 2021 at 5:30 pm

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

“To add to the rich cultural history of our place; share the beauty of our community; and instill a sense of pride in our public, private, and communal outdoor spaces.”

Items for the agenda

- Welcome sign update
- Trees update
- Beautification Update
- Downtown Clock lighting funding
- Kelly Triangle
- Business Owner Conversations

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Submitted by/
Izetta Grossman, CMC
City Clerk

SIGNED:

Tiffany Prince, President

ATTEST:

Izetta Grossman, CMC, City Clerk

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

“To add to the rich cultural history of our place; share the beauty of our community; and instill a sense of pride in our public, private, and communal outdoor spaces.”

Presenting *Parrotia persica* 'Vanessa'

Your SMA 2014 Urban Tree of the Year

Manager of Parks for Surrey, British Columbia Owen Croy wrote the Tree of Merit column in *City Trees* about *Parrotia persica* 'Vanessa' just last spring. He is gratified that this tree sailed on to take the big prize, SMA Urban Tree of the Year. *Parrotia persica* is most often called simply parrotia or Persian ironwood. Here's an excerpt of Croy's column about 'Vanessa' parrotia.

The Persian ironwood tree is native to the lower mountain slopes of northern Iran, and it has been planted widely in cities across Europe and North America for many years. It has great colour in the spring, with glossy, green, red-tipped leaves that later turn a darker green through the summer. Fall colour is spectacular, often with leaves of multiple colours on the tree at the same time: orange, purple, yellow and green. When older, this tree has flaky grey bark that is very attractive, giving it year-round appeal.

The cultivar 'Vanessa' emerged from Europe in the 1970s and is now widely cultivated in North American nurseries. 'Vanessa' is upright, almost columnar, with branches that arch gracefully outward towards the tip. It is a slow-growing small tree, reaching a height of about 11 metres (36 feet) at maturity. Perhaps because of its slow growth rate, it seems that much of the available nursery stock is slightly smaller than would be typical for street tree planting programs. It is hardy in USDA zones 4-8.

In Surrey, 'Vanessa' is being planted as a street tree where there are overhead lines in close proximity to the planting strips. Staff report that it responds extremely well to clearance pruning and has fewer crossing branches than either the straight species or the cultivar 'Ruby Vase'. Branch unions tend to be very strong, and 'Vanessa' doesn't seem to develop the levels of included bark that we have observed in other species of columnar trees. We have also noted that in well-irrigated soils, young 'Vanessa' specimens don't seem to develop fall colour that is as vibrant as the straight species, but only time will tell if this trait continues as the trees mature.

Surrey Tree and Landscape Manager Steve Whitton adds that parrotia planted in the City's center about 10 years ago in structural soil (in a trench one meter deep by one meter wide) have grown very well. Whitton says, "They have more than tripled in size. This was a great success story for both structural soil and parrotia."

Here are some additional testimonials to the value of Persian ironwood, and especially of 'Vanessa', to our city streets.

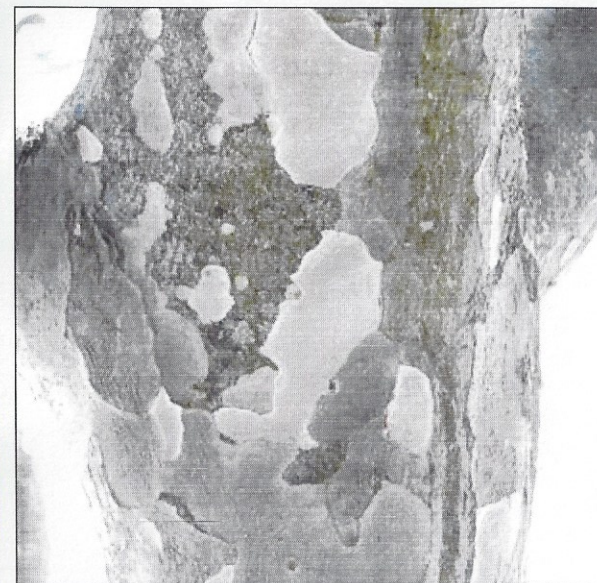
This tree has proven in our setting to be incredibly resilient to drought stress and pests. With its versatility, hardiness, interesting bark, unique growth form, and spectacular fall colour, what more could you ask for in a city tree? —Lanny Englund, Manager of Urban Forestry in Coquitlam, British Columbia



A young 'Vanessa' on the streets of Surrey, BC • Photo by Owen Croy



Parrotia 'Vanessa' fall color • Photo by Owen Croy



Parrotia persica bark • Photo by Josh Coceano

We began using Parrotia only within the past few years, and I've been delighted so far. We have used 'Vanessa' as a street tree in several residential and commercial locations. Its transplantability, form, foliage, and fall color are all appealing features.

I have also watched with interest a pair of 6-inch (152-mm) caliper street trees planted some years ago by a resident. The trees withstood some significant abuse when the stately old home was renovated, then burned, and was then renovated again. Three years of construction traffic and abuse, and the trees are thriving! I expect that we'll be planting more *Parrotia persica* in Upper Arlington for good reasons. —Steve Cothrel, Superintendent of Parks and Forestry, Parks and Recreation Department, Upper Arlington, Ohio

I love it; it's not bothered by drought nor long wet spells. No sign of pests. Just a neat, well-behaved little tree! I have had a *Parrotia* 'Vanessa' growing in my front yard for about 15 years. I picked it up at a local plant sale in a 5-gallon pot. It's now about 18 feet (5.5 m) tall and just beautiful. It provides reliable yellow/red fall color in an area not known for fall color. It is still tightly vertical with some very nice muscular trunks which clearly identify why it's also called Persian ironwood. —Steve Shurtz, Urban Forestry & Landscape Manager at City/Parish of Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Congratulations to Persian parrotia! *Parrotia persica* has many desirable characteristics that make it a great street tree here in Burlington, Vermont. The tree grows in a variety of soil textures and types. It has succeeded in tough sites where crabapples failed to establish. It is also tolerant to heat, cold, and drought conditions. In Burlington, newly planted parrotia are watered for the first two growing seasons. *Parrotia persica* are planted beneath utility lines because of their slow and low growth. We have not had any problems with fungal or insect pests yet.

In addition to the great physical and biological characteristics, Persian parrotia is visually appealing. It displays beech-like bark when young, tiny pinkish-red flowers in spring, purple leaves at bud burst that change to a waxy deep green all summer, and bright orange to red color through the fall. Parrotia is a wonderful species to add to any urban or ornamental landscape. —Brian Sullivan, Municipal Specialist, Burlington, Vermont Department of Parks and Recreation



Parrotia buds • Photo by Steve Cothrel



Young 'Vanessa' parrotia trees looking sharp in Renton, Washington, the spring following planting. Photo by Terry Flaitley



Parrotia fall foliage • Photo by Steve Cothrel

We planted 'Vanessa' parrotia as a street tree in 4 x 8 feet (app. 1.2 x 2.4 m) cut-outs using tree grates during December of 2011 (we can plant trees all winter long due to our mild climate here in Renton, Washington). Other than some poor stock we received from a nursery (which they replaced immediately for free), we have had 100% survival to date.

They received some supplemental watering between June and September (our driest season) at the rate of once per two weeks and they showed little or no stress. We also planted one at a different site that unlike the others, did not receive supplemental watering, and even this tree has survived nicely.

'Vanessa' is an upright, columnar growing tree that fits nicely in our downtown area with zero building setbacks and along the curb-line. I plan on using more parrotia in the future based upon this trial planting and appreciate their tolerance for dry, hot urban conditions. —Terry Flaitley, Certified Arborist - Municipal Specialist, Urban Forestry and Natural Resources Manager, Renton Washington

Some of the first trees planted during the kickoff of TreeVitalize Pittsburgh in April of 2008 were parrotia. The 2-inch (51-mm) caliper trees were 8-9 feet (2.4-2.7 m) tall and planted in 3 x 10 feet (.9 x 3 m) tree pits. As of November 2013, those trees are now 5-inch (127-mm) caliper (4-inch/102-mm DBH) and 17 feet (5.2 m) tall. Residents love the beautiful fall color and were very concerned about the tree's health when the bark began to peel. After we explained how the bark will continue to exfoliate and change colors, they are now excited for the bark to mature. One tree was defoliated in late summer by a gas leak and recovered very well the next year. We've observed that parrotia seems to have a low to moderate salt tolerance. Prune only in full leaf, as pruning in fall/winter has caused extensive bleeding followed by mold, much worse than we have seen on any maple. Parrotia stands up very well to vandalism as the wood is strong and doesn't break or tear easily. —Matthew Erb, Director of Urban Forestry, Tree Pittsburgh

Report Criteria:
Job, Job number = "BEAU2021"

Job Number:	BEAU2021	Start Date:	07/01/2020	Approved Budget:	10,000.00
Description:	BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE	Authorized By:	IGROSSMAN	Total Costs:	1,780.40
Detailed Description:	GENERAL	Issued By:	LROWLAND	Remaining Budget:	8,219.60
Department:	00101000003110	Preliminary Close By:			
Default GL Account:	Maintenance	Re-opened By:			
Job Type:		Final Close By:			
Customer Name:					
Customer Type:					
Tax District:					
Map Number:					
Location:					

Summary for Job BEAU2021 BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Type	Units	Amount
Direct Charges	.00	1,780.40
Labor	.00	.00
Labor Benefits	.00	.00
Labor Overheads	.00	.00
Equipment	.00	.00
Equipment Overheads	.00	.00
Materials	.00	.00
Material Overheads	.00	.00
Contributions	.00	.00
Total Costs		1,780.40
Advances		.00
Job Balance		1,780.40

Detail for Job BEAU2021 BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Direct charge

Date	Reference Number	Type	Description	Amount	Units	Source	GL Adj Offset
11/02/2020	1	Direct charge	CREDIT FOR LION HEAD FOUNTAIN I	587.96-	.00		00101000003110
11/02/2020	2	Direct charge	BEAUTIFICATION DONATION TO SEC	1,000.00	.00		00101000003110
11/30/2020	5	Direct charge	36 CAPS EMBROIDERY	370.00	.00	Accounts Payable Update	00101000003110
12/18/2020	4	Direct charge	PUT IN LIGHT ON THE DALLIES WELC	998.36	.00	Accounts Payable Update	00101000003110
Total Direct charge:				1,780.40	.00		

Grand Totals:

Type	Units	Amount
Direct Charges	.00	1,780.40
Labor	.00	.00
Labor Benefits	.00	.00
Labor Overheads	.00	.00
Equipment	.00	.00
Equipment Overheads	.00	.00
Materials	.00	.00
Material Overheads	.00	.00
Contributions	.00	.00
Total Costs		1,780.40
Advances		.00
Job Balance		1,780.40

Report Criteria:

Job, Job number = "BEAU2021"

From: Jude Merrill <jude@gorge.net>
Subject: Re: Downtown Tree Information
Date: March 5, 2021 at 3:08:55 PM PST
To: Josh Woolsey <gorgearborcare@gmail.com>
Cc: Judy Merrill <jude@gorge.net>

Good afternoon Josh,

I want to get back to you since our BC meeting which was Wed night.

I reviewed the information you provided me: the summary of what an arborist report would involve and the quote for tree trimming.

Like myself, they appreciated the time and information you provided. We have learned more of the possibilities and processes.

The next step the committee would like to take is to obtain an estimate for an arborist report on the Parrotia Persia "Vanessa" trees that

are on both sides of 2nd St and the side streets between 2nd and 3rd Streets only. I believe that would be between Monroe or Madison on the east side

down to Union Street. Our goal is to learn about the health of the trees and what is the recommendation to sustain them to be healthy trees.

Would you be able to put together that information and quote Josh?

Please contact me if you need more clarification or questions.

Thank you, Judy



QUOTE

Gorgearborcare.com

541-340-4170

CCB# 231729 ISA#PN-8514A

DATE: 3-10-2021

3238 W 7th St
The Dalles, OR 97058
Gorgearborcare@gmail.com

EXPIRATION DATE
4-11-2021

SALESPERSON	JOB	PAYMENT TERMS	DUE DATE
Josh Woolsey	Arv Arborist Report	Due upon completion	

QTY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	LINE TOTAL
1	Arborist report	\$300.00	
	Arborist reports are priced as a per page. This report is not expected to exceed 3 pages		
SUBTOTAL			
SALES TAX			
TOTAL			

Quotation prepared by: Josh Woolsey

This is a quotation on the goods named, subject to the conditions noted below: All credit payments are done through the venmo and paypal apps. Pay pal payments will have a 5% fee added for processing

To accept this quotation, sign here and return: _____

THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS!

Hello Bill:

I will have to go over to the site and get a count on the trees. It seems there are anywhere from 30 – 60. I have done similar work before.

It makes sense to provide you with a cost estimate on site after scoping out the work. I would then complete the field observations on the same trip. I can probably fit the field visit in some day next week.

Possible Cost:

Given the time needed to assess each tree, probably 10 min ea. To photograph, measure, and write notes, at \$100 per hr. \$6/tree, or \$180 - \$360 for the field work. Then about \$300 for the Report, for \$480 - \$660 cost.

What I would record:

Diameter and height.

Overall health notes.

Rate of twig elongation (a good measure of overall health, along with height growth).

Specific issues, such as bark damage, pests or disease signs or symptoms.

Area of rooting space.

I could use records on when the trees were planted, what amendments were used, and the irrigation schedule.

My report would be brief: a table of data on the trees, a graph putting the trees in health categories, and recommendations. I could uniquely identify the trees by noting distance to a street address.

I hope this helps. In a larger context, I would think the installed cost of 1.5 in. caliper trees was about \$200 ea. If a more in-depth investigation is needed, I would recommend that but first provide a Report as described. For example: it may be that soil or vegetation samples would be needed for an outside lab to assess nutrients or identify a fungal disease, in order to figure out "failure to thrive" if other causes are not obvious. I might also want to excavate root crowns to look for girdling roots if that is a problem identified in my initial visual assessment.

Regards,

Dave

David M. Braun Ph. D.

Braun Arboricultural Consulting LLC

1193 22nd St.

Hood River, Oregon 97031

(541) 806-0347 Estimates

(541)-490-9398 Consulting

dave@braunarborcare.com

www.braunarborcare.com

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UPS/STOP THE DROP -- MARCH 17, 2021

The first of the 2021 Clean Ups will have taken place on Saturday the 13th.

I will be reporting on the event at our meeting 3/17.

We have received information from Scott Peters/ODOT re: recommended clean up areas around our town, with safety issues taken into consideration.

Those areas are:

Exit 85 Marina to Brewery Grade

Webber St. to Exit 84 Taco Bell to DQ

Exit 83 Webber St.

Exit 82 Chenowith Exit

Exit 85 Eastbound to Exit 87

Intersection at Brewery Grade to Big Jim's (1.4 miles)

The Dalles Bridge to yard (1.1 miles)

Chenowith Creek to Irvine St. (.3 miles)

Exit 87 The Dalles Bridge Exit

Rachel and I will continue to communicate with Scott. Pat Cimmiyotti had suggested that perhaps an ODOT Rep. could be at one of our clean-ups; that ODOT could possibly provide safety signs and trash collection bags.

Submitted by Connie K.

KELLY AVENUE ISLAND PROJECT -- MARCH 17, 2021

Submitted by Connie K.

Max and I have proceeded in our efforts to help transform the Kelly Ave. Island from a triangle of land, a tree, and a bench into ---A GARDEN!!

This location is prime for an “inviting space” since it is on a major artery at a crossroads of residential neighborhoods.

On 3/8/21 we met at the site with Cindy Kever, Administration Assistant to Dave Anderson/ Director Public Works (PW). She is very excited about the prospect of teaming with the BC to enhance this spot.

We identified and brainstormed around 4 components of the garden:

ELEMENT #1 : PLANTINGS:

Cindy is in process of making the final selection of plants (focus on grasses and other perennials) and will place an order by mid-March. She will design the layout of plants. City PW staff will assume responsibility for getting the plants into the ground and providing water and other care. Emphasis will be on low maintenance, hardy plants which will offer interest and aesthetic appeal.

ELEMENT #2: ROCK FEATURES:

PW staff will obtain some large boulders (and other rocks) from County resources and will set the rocks into the garden.

ELEMENT #3: “KINETIC WIND SCULPTURES”

Cindy, Max, and I are drawn to the idea of adding kinetic wind sculptures into this project, thinking such whimsical art is perfect for our town, known for its WIND ! We propose the purchase of ONE OR THREE sculptures.

The BC would pay for the items and PW staff will install them into concrete and into the ground, and will explore additional ways to secure the sculptures.

Following are three proposed “MODELS” of wind sculpture groupings/purchases which could be featured on the Kelly Ave. Island. We could consider mixing sculptures from different MODELS.

Model A : LYMAN WJITAKER KINETIC WIND SCULPTURES

Lyman Whitaker (a big name along with others such as Mark White and Anthony Howe) is an internationally renowned artist who has been making wind sculptures for 30 years. All of his works are handmade and are seen in numerous galleries and museums, at the seaside, in urban areas, in public venues and backyards.

Whitaker's sculptures are made of stainless steel or copper and can withstand winds up to 90 mph. The copper is not coated, so it ages naturally. Technical assistance is offered regarding assembly and anchoring. On-line reviews are glowing.

These items are offered for purchase through various galleries and distributors, such as the Renee Taylor Gallery and the Leopold Gallery.

We hope to embellish this written report with a visual presentation at the 3/17 BC meeting.

Following are favorites (at this time...so hard to decide!!)

Double Helix Horizontal -- copper and stainless steel

Sub Huge = 13 feet	\$2900
X-Large = 10 feet	\$1900
Large = 7 feet 8 inches	\$1,200
Medium = 6 feet 7 inches	\$950
Small = 5 feet	\$650

Ponderosa -- copper and steel

Large = 6 feet 7 inches	\$1,500
X – Large = 7 feet 5 inches	\$3,100

Tulip = 5 feet \$950

Element fire = 5 feet \$500

Eclipse -- copper

X Large = 9 feet	\$1,300
6 feet 2 inches	\$850

MODEL B: STANWOOD

Stanwood Co. wind sculptures are made of copper and stainless steel. They are waterproof and designed to last for decades. They have a 4-prong anchoring system and can withstand winds up to 70 mph. The copper ages naturally; it can be coated to maintain original copper shine, if desired. . Great on-line reviews. One person commented that these sculptures are comparable to Lyman Whitaker, but much less in cost. I found these items offered through various distributors, with sale prices marked down from around \$500 to \$270-\$280 on one site. My sense is that we could purchase each of these for under \$300.00 On-line instructional videos for assembly and anchoring are provided.

Top 3 Choices:

Double Helix -- 7 feet 6 inches

Dancing Willow Leaves -- 6 feet

Spinning Ficus -- 6 feet

MODEL C: AMAZON OFFERINGS

These are powder coated items, with 2 to 3 prong anchoring systems. Many positive reviews, but also negative reviews for each one.

<u>Evergreen Garden Twirler Powder Coated</u>	6 feet 8 inches	\$54.99
Garden Kinetic Wind Spinner Bronze Leaves	6 feet	\$69.95
Reversible Extra Large Wind Spinner	6 feet 11 inches	\$67.00

ELEMENT #4: OTHER GARDEN "ORNAMENTS"

Cindy, Max, and I also discussed the use of other items, such as rusted steel/custom metal garden ornaments (examples: cattails, birds ...). We have just begun to explore this possibility, which could

include getting one or more bids from local artisans, in addition to an on-line search. Based on efforts to date, it seems we could get a few nice pieces for around \$300.

MINUTES

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING

March 17, 2021

VIA ZOOM

PRESIDING: Tiffany Prince

MEMBERS PRESENT: Connie Krummrich, John Nelson, Bill Lennox, Max Butensky,
John Nelson

ABSENT: None

GUEST: None

Staff Liaison: Izetta Grossman, CMC, City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

President Tiffany Prince called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Izetta Grossman conducted roll call; all members present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Nelson and seconded by Butensky to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried 6 to 0; all members voting in favor; none opposed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES/REVIEW FINANCIAL REPORT

Approval of March 3, 2021 Beautification Minutes

It was moved by Lennox and seconded by Butensky to approve the March 3, 2021 as presented. The motion carried 6 to 0; all members voting in favor; none opposed.

Review February Financial Report, there were no questions.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

"To add to the rich cultural history of our place; share the beauty of our community; and instill a sense of pride in our public, private, and communal outdoor spaces."

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Welcome Signs

Nelson reported contacting Scott Stephenson from The Dalles Art Center to talk about volunteering to assist with criteria for the Welcome Signs. Butensky said he had with Stephenson communicated via email. He said Stephenson agreed to serve on the sub-committee.

Butensky said he was researching past vision/mission statements of the City.

Trees

Merrill reviewed the email bid for arborist report. She said it was \$300.

Lennox reported he sent out the bid he received from Hood River. He said the bid was \$660, and he thought getting professional advice on the care of the trees would be helpful to the City employees and would help build relationships for collaboration.

Krummrich reported talking to Bruce Lumpier about citizen participation program for replacing the trees at Sorosis Park. She said Lumpier suggested that she talk to Scott Baker, Executive Director of Parks and Recreation about the idea of having citizens purchase a tree in memorial or honor of someone to help with the expense of replacing all the trees at Sorosis Park.

Grossman suggested a couple Committee members go to a Parks & Rec Board meeting to present the idea.

It was moved by Merrill to hire Gorge Arbor Care for \$300 for an arborist report on the downtown trees.

After some discussion, it was moved by Lennox and seconded by Krummrich to hire Gorge Arbor Care in an amount not to exceed \$500. The motion carried 6 to 0; all members voting in favor; none opposed.

Nelson said if after receiving the first report the Committee felt they needed more information they could decide to hire the Hood River arborist.

Beautification Award

Butensky reported that he will be handling the nominations spreadsheet. He said he updated the original spreadsheet, and it was no available to everyone through the shared link he sent out. He said nominations could be sent to Prince, Grossman or himself to be added to the spreadsheet.

There was some discussion on information needed on the spreadsheet. It was determined that all nominations needed to remain on the spreadsheet for future review, with dates and notation of winners. Butensky said all information was there.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

"To add to the rich cultural history of our place; share the beauty of our community; and instill a sense of pride in our public, private, and communal outdoor spaces."

Krummrich said there were lots of well cared for homes, that are preparing for spring planting.

The winner for April is 605 Liberty. Merrill will go to the house and get waiver signed, and set up appointment for April award. She will let Grossman know the names of the owners for the April utility bill.

Community Clean-ups

Krummrich reported on a successful cleanup on March 13. She said there were 35 people helping, the best turn out ever.

She reported that Jim Winterbottom of The Dalles Disposal had donated the cost of dumping two truckloads of garbage for each event. She said there had been three loads at the weekend cleanup.

She said Rachel Carter had paid for the additional load (\$30). She asked for something to be place so that the Committee could cover these unexpected costs.

Krummich reported running out of safety vests, she asked Grossman if the City could get a good price on them. She said her research showed a range of \$5.50 to \$14.00. Grossman said she would check with Public Works.

It was moved by Butensky and seconded by Lennox to set aside \$200 for use for paying for additional truckloads of garbage. The motion carried 6 to 0; all members voting in favor; none opposed.

Kelly Triangle

Butensky presented a PowerPoint on the progress on the design of Kelly Triangle. (attached)

He said he and Krummrich had worked with Cindy Keever at Public Works. He said the City would set the wind spinners in concrete to reduce the chance of them being stolen.

He asked for authorization to purchase three spinners for a cost of \$1500.

Lennox said the midrange cost was high quality, sturdy and tall enough.

Krummich reviewed her report.

The Committee was in favor of the wind spinners. There was some discussion on placing them in other locations, if the three were well received and held up well.

The ideas for other locations were: Trevitt Triangle; 10th Street; the one by Montera's.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

"To add to the rich cultural history of our place; share the beauty of our community; and instill a sense of pride in our public, private, and communal outdoor spaces."

It was moved by Lennox and seconded by Butensky to purchase three spinners from Stanwood in an amount not to exceed \$1500. The motion carried 6 to 0; all members voting in favor; none opposed.

Business Owner Brainstorming – it was decided to place this item on hold for now.

ACTION ITEMS

Downtown Clock Relighting Funding

Lennox reviewed the quote (attached). He said Jerry Anderson said the City would do the installation.

It was moved by Lennox and seconded by Butensky to authorize the purchase of the relighting materials in an amount not to exceed \$1,400. The motion carried 6 to 0; all members voting in favor; none opposed.

The next meeting will be April 7, 2021 at 5:30 pm

Items for the agenda

Progress reports

Grossman reminded the Committee to let her know if they had new business to add to the agenda.

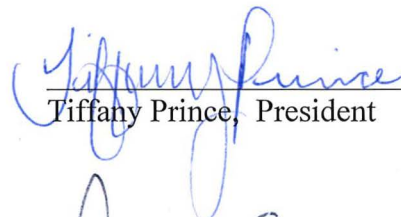
Prince reminded the Committee to provide written reports to Grossman by deadlines.

ADJOURNMENT

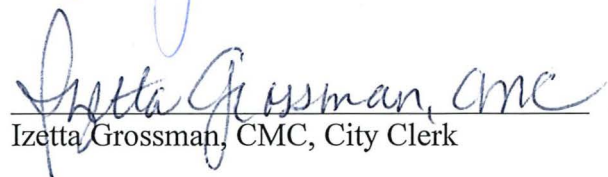
Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 pm.

Submitted by/
Izetta Grossman, CMC
City Clerk

SIGNED:


Tiffany Prince, President

ATTEST:


Izetta Grossman, CMC, City Clerk

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

"To add to the rich cultural history of our place; share the beauty of our community; and instill a sense of pride in our public, private, and communal outdoor spaces."

Kelly Island

Connie Krummrich & Max Butensky



Collaborator:

- Cindy Keever, Public works.
- Interest to take our shared ideas and move forward with them.
- Short water resistant plants that will continue to cover the space over coming years.
- Large rocks intermixed.

Our role:

- Contribute a aesthetic attraction to the space.
- Connie - mechanical wind spinner, supremely relevant to TD weather
- W/ Cindy on board, we began researching...

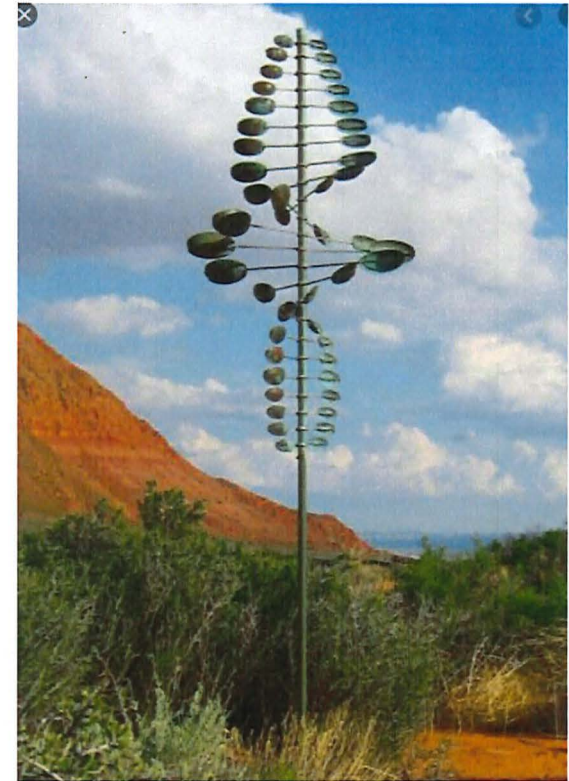
We are asking for \$1500 to purchase...

- 3 mid-range kinetic wind spinners
- Up to 7ft tall, 3 different models
- Able to withstand up to 90mph wind
- Concrete installation by the PW at Kelly island
- (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OE827ew6TeM&ab_channel=stanwoodimports)

Lyman Whitaker

- Top of the Line (up to \$3000)
- Tall, 15ft+ options

[Wind Sculptures by Lyman Whitaker](#)



Standwood

- 300-500\$ range
- Up to 7ft tall
- Great reviews...



L->R: Dancing willow, Double helix, spinning ficus

Option #3:

Amazon - offers a wide range of sculptures for <\$100:

Up to 6'8"



Non-Wind artwork:

- Metal Birds (such as cranes, woodpeckers, storks) to spice up the area
- Steve's floral metalwork for costs of materials

Thoughts?

Potential local sources for sculptures?

Unforeseen challenges?

Did anyone notice the tree that was just cut at the isle?

Other idea's for wind/non-wind sculptures?

Once again...

We are asking for \$1500 to purchase...

- **Standwood Wind Spinners**
- **Up to 7ft tall, 3 different models**
- **Able to withstand up to 90mph wind**
- **Very relevant to The Dalles windy weather!**

