



---

**President** – Mark Nakajima - present

**Members Present:** David Hunter – Bruce Countryman – Jen Warren

**Members Absent:** Michael Howell - Lance Schamberger – Dale Wiley

**Staff Present:** Dan Riordan

**Council Liaison:** Ron Thompson - present

**Student Advisor:** Declan Lynch - present

---

**Citizen New Member / Introduction:** None

**Call to Order:** Chair Nakajima called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Commission members welcomed new student liaison Declan Lynch.

**Minutes Approval:** David moved to approve and Jen seconded that the minutes be approved as submitted.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Election of Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary for 2019. David moved and Bruce seconded reappointment of Mark Nakajima as Chair, Michael Howell as Vice Chair and Dale Wiley as Secretary. The motion passed unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Town Center Street Tree Project Update. Dan provided an updated on project status. Dan mentioned the consulting arborist will conduct a site visit on February 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. The City's Public Works Superintendent will participate.
2. Reuter Farms Park Oak Tree Replanting. Dan has been working with the Parks Department to coordinate planting three Oregon white oak trees to replace the trees planted in 2018. The Commission agreed that January is a good time to plant trees since they are dormant.
3. Boards and Commissions Dinner Presentation. The Commission discussed topics to highlight at the annual Boards and Commissions recognition dinner. Chair Nakajima suggested highlighting the Town Center Street Tree project, Arbor Day 2019 tree planting

on April 6<sup>th</sup> at the Thatcher Park off leash area, and possible partnership with the Soil and Water Conservation District and Mitch Taylor acorn project.

**MEMBER UPDATE:**

Jen noted that the Oregon Department of Forestry is recruiting for fire fighter positions.

David mentioned he is working on a tree inventory for the Vancouver School District and a tree forensics case in Tacoma.

Mark suggested the Commission revisit the Urban Forest Management Plan for project ideas for the upcoming year.

**LIAISON UPDATE:**

Councilor Thompson mentioned several training opportunities including the Western Regional Council forestry training in Eugene this month and the Northwest Leadership Conference in Troutdale on February 1<sup>st</sup> and February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**NEXT MEETING:** February 20, 2019 at 5:30 pm at the City Auditorium.

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT:** David moved and Jen seconded that the meeting adjourn.

Unanimous vote affirmative to adjourn at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Riordan  
Commission Staff Liaison