



URBAN FORESTRY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

January 22, 2026 at 3:00 PM

Council Chambers at City Hall - 1123 W. Lake St. Sandpoint, Idaho

Call to Order

Commission Chair Mose Dunkel called the meeting of the Urban Forestry Commission to order at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 22, 2026, in Council Chambers at City Hall, 1123 W. Lake Street, Sandpoint, Idaho.

Roll Call

PRESENT

Mose Dunkel, Chair
Chase Youngdahl, Vice Chair
Geoff Gregory
Preston Andrews
Paige Belfry

Also present were staff liaison Erik Bush and Deputy City Clerk Hayley Keys, serving as board clerk. Council liaison Kyle Schreiber was absent.

Meeting Minutes Approval

1. The minutes from the Commission's November 21, 2025, meeting were approved unanimously as presented.

Motion made by Commissioner Youngdahl Seconded by Commissioner Andrews

Voting Yea: Commissioner Dunkel, Commissioner Youngdahl, Commissioner Andrews, Commissioner Gregory, Commissioner Belfry

Old/Unfinished Business

2. Cedar Street Reconstruction Project

Mr. Bush provided a brief update on the decision regarding the Cedar Street reconstruction project.

New Business

3. Election of Commission Chair

Commissioner Dunkel self-nominated, volunteering to continue serving as Chair. Commissioners Belfry and Youngdahl also volunteered to serve in this capacity. Commissioner Gregory seconded Commissioner Dunkel's nomination, and Commissioner Dunkel was re-elected, with the Commission voting as follows:

Voting Yea: Commissioner Gregory, Commissioner Youngdahl, Commissioner Andrews, Commissioner Dunkel

Abstaining: Commissioner Belfry

4. Election of Commission Vice Chair

Commissioner Youngdahl self-nominated, volunteering to continue serving as Vice Chair. Commissioner Gregory then nominated Commissioner Belfry as Vice Chair. Following

Commissioner Belfry's nomination, Commissioner Dunkel seconded Commissioner Youngdahl's nomination. A vote was then taken on the nomination for Commissioner Belfry, with the majority voting to elect as follows:

Voting Yea: Commissioner Belfry, Commissioner Gregory, Commissioner Andrews

Voting No: Commissioner Dunkel

Abstaining: Commissioner Youngdahl

A brief recess was taken at 4:16 p.m., with the meeting being reconvened at 4:24 p.m.

General Announcements/Comments

The Commissioners discussed trees in the downtown parking lot and an Arbor Day event.

Adjourn

With no further business on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

I presided over this meeting and can confirm that these minutes, prepared by the board clerk, were approved by the Commission during their meeting on _____, 2026

Mose Dunkel, Board Chair

Attest: Hayley Keys, Deputy City Clerk