



URBAN FORESTRY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

February 26, 2026 at 3:00 PM

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

Call to Order

Commission Vice Chair Paige Belfry called the meeting of the Urban Forestry Commission to order at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 26, 2026, in Council Chambers at City Hall, 1123 W. Lake Street Sandpoint, Idaho.

Roll Call

PRESENT

Paige Belfry, Vice Chair

Geoff Gregory

Preston Andrews

Chase Youngdahl

ABSENT

Mose Dunkel, Chair

Also present were staff liaison Erik Bush and Building and Planning Administrative Assistant Mandy Brown, serving as board clerk, Public Works Administrative Assistant Sam Chin, Mayor Jeremy Grimm and Councilor Kyle Schreiber.

Meeting Minutes Approval

1. The minutes from the Commission's January 22, 2026, meeting were approved unanimously as presented.

Motion made by Commissioner Belfry, Seconded by Commissioner Andrews

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

Erik Bush opened the floor for public comment. Members of the public gave comment regarding the Arbor Day celebrations put on by the East Bonner County Library and existing cottonwood trees on Cedar Street.

Old/Unfinished Business

2. Heritage Tree Definition

Mr. Bush provided an update on the Heritage Tree and the objective metrics to aid in defining specific Heritage Trees. The Commission agreed that no additional action item was necessary at this time and that efforts would move forward to bring Subsection 13 to Council ahead of broader code revisions.

New Business

3. 2027 Fiscal Year Budget

Mayor Grimm gave a detailed breakdown of current budget within the City, setting the stage for the committee to discuss budget needs for the upcoming fiscal year.

Adjourn

With no further business on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 4:49 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

Paige Belfry, Board Vice Chair

Attest: Sam Chin, Public Works Admin Asst.