

**CARSON CITY SHADE TREE COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the June 5, 2013 Meeting**

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A regular meeting of the Carson City Shade Tree Council was scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3, 2013, in the Community Center Sierra Room, 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada.

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Kyle Horvath  
Member Carole Brewer  
Member Terrill Ozawa  
Member Ray Saliga  
Member Roy Trenoweth

**STAFF:** Roger Moellendorf, Parks and Recreation Department Director  
Tamar Warren, Recording Secretary

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**CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (5:37:40)** – Chairperson Horvath called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m. A quorum was present. Member Saliga arrived at 5:47 p.m. Vice Chairperson Shirk was absent.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS (5:38:17)** – Chairperson Horvath entertained citizen comments; however, none were forthcoming.

**1. ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES (5:38:27)** – Chairperson Horvath introduced the item. **Member Ozawa moved to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2013 meeting as amended. The motion was seconded by Member Brewer. Motion carried 4-0.**

**2. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA (5:39:19)** – There were no modifications to the agenda.

**3. MEETING ITEMS:**

**A. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE ABSENCE OF ANY COUNCIL MEMBER FROM THIS MEETING. (5:39:22)** – Vice Chairperson Shirk was absent as excused. Discussion ensued regarding the number of absences by Vice Chairperson Shirk. Mr. Moellendorf agreed to report back after doing policy research regarding Council member absences due to military responsibilities.

**A. DISCUSSION ONLY AND UPDATE ON THE SHADE TREE COUNCIL'S BUDGET. (5:43:05)** – Chairperson Horvath introduced the item. Mr. Moellendorf presented the Council's current budget, which is incorporated into the record, and stated that the current balance was \$3,906.82. He also noted that the 2012 Fall Tree Care Seminar had generated a positive cash flow, unlike previous years, attributing it to the fact that the speakers had been local and had not been compensated this year. Chairperson Horvath suggested utilizing some of the existing funds for advertising the open position on the Council. He also entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

**B. DISCUSSION ONLY REGARDING INITIAL PLANNING FOR THE 2013 FALL TREE CARE SEMINAR. (5:49:07)** – Chairperson Horvath introduced the item and suggested choosing a Seminar date first. It was agreed to consider November 6, 2013 as the date for the Fall Tree Seminar, and Chairperson Horvath proposed agendizing the item for possible action during the next meeting. Member Ozawa suggested the topic of managing trees in a changing climate. Member Saliga offered to contact the Cooperative Exchange Program for possible marketing opportunities to their members. Chairperson Horvath entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

**C. DISCUSSION ONLY REGARDING THE ART TREE PROJECT. (5:55:13)** – Chairperson Horvath introduced the item and noted that a vote in a previous meeting had resulted in "shelving" this item for now. Member

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Saliga suggested having a tree as a living art form, calling it a “Tree Art Project”. He also wished to have bonsai tree care as a topic for the 2013 Fall Tree Care Seminar. Chairperson Horvath entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

**D. DISCUSSION ONLY REGARDING THE FRIENDS OF THE URBAN FOREST’S TREE INITIATIVE PROJECT.** (5:57:18) – Chairperson Horvath introduced the item and stated that the Friends of the Urban Forest were promoting tree planning and tracking the number of trees planted. He added that their goal was to plant 10,000 new trees in Carson City. As a representative of the Friends of the Urban Forest, Chairperson Horvath indicated that 750 tracked trees had been planted last year and believed an equal amount was also planted but not tracked due to the lack of resources. Member Ozawa suggested counting the pear trees planted in the shopping center that housed the Raley’s grocery store. Mr. Moellendorf received clarification that the 350 trees planted along the Carson City freeways were among the counted trees. Chairperson Horvath entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

**E. REPORTS ONLY – NO DISCUSSION AMONG MEMBERS OR WITH STAFF WILL TAKE PLACE ON THESE ITEMS.**

**STATUS REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM STAFF**

**MEMBERS’ ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION** (6:00:56) – Chairperson Horvath introduced the item. Member Ozawa indicated that the Joshua Trees had bloomed in Carson City, adding that she had read an article stating that this was a “lifetime event” for Joshua Trees.

**5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** (6:02 54) – The following items would be discussed in upcoming Shade Tree Council meetings:

- Planning for the 2013 Fall Tree Care Seminar and utilizing some of the funds to plant a tree*
- The Tree Art Project*
- Tree Initiative*
- Shade Tree Council budget monitoring*

**6. CITIZEN COMMENTS** (6:03:58) – Chairperson Horvath entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

**7. ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT** (6:04:03) – Chairperson Horvath entertained a motion for adjournment. **Member Ozawa moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Member Brewer. The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.**

The Minutes of the June 5, 2013 Carson City Shade Tree Council meeting are so approved this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2013.

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KYLE HORVATH, Chair