

**SMITHFIELD CITY TREE COMMITTEE MEETING 7 pm 2/7/23**  
**(Smithfield City Conference room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, south end)**

1. Tree Management Plan updated tree list and tree health, tree diversity efforts, etc. **Mair continues to work on producing a friendlier format for our tree list and winnowing the current list to fewer and better adapted trees for our climate. Jeff suggests hiring an arborist to update our tree inventory for species, numbers, health, etc. We will explore this possibility and cost.**
2. Inflation Reduction Act grants for urban forests update **No further word from the forest service who will receive the \$. Jack will contact them for more info.**
3. Tree care training for city staff in February-March. -City Manager getting it on the calendar and City Parks director meeting with Preston Colver for arborist certification resources. **We now have some possible dates from Josh, our Public Works director. The dates of March 15 and March 21 align well with our presenters- Mair and Preston. Preston has exam prep materials for Hayden to get his arborist certification, which he will deliver in the near future.**
4. Arbor Day poster contest with Smithfield elementary schools- Jeff's report **Jeff has delivered the poster contest materials to teachers at our 3 elementary schools. Jack will contact them with tree activities and check on the possibility to get a tree for each of the three schools to plant on Arbor Day if they would like one. Posters are due by May 1 for judging.**
5. May 13 Health Day booth (Jeff) **Great ideas for engaging activities for our booth. Several volunteered to person the booth. Numerous ideas for tree quizzes with free raffle tickets, showcasing our winning posters, inviting their families, tree cookies to hand out, tree foods- fruits, nuts, maple sugar candies, etc, etc. Jeff will reserve our booth space.**
6. Arbor Day teacher resources and tree planting for school- Jack **See above.**
7. Mair's report on 2023 Utah Green Industry Conference and access to conference presentations. **Mair had two presentations at the conference- abiotic (water, temperature, minerals, etc.), and pest control. She isn't aware the conference proceedings were recorded. Mair described the conference structure which may change from year to year.**
8. List of trees for mayor's curbside planting in new subdivision- choke cherry, mountain ash, service berry, hackberry, hawthorn, big tooth maple, mountain maple, gambel oak, sumac, skunk bush are all good- native, drought tolerant, small. More will come. **Kayo will prepare a list of the top**

**20 trees- 10 native, 10 nonnative for the mayor by March. He suggests a list of appropriate shrubs as well. Others will be listed on our city website link as Mair completes them by Arbor day. Carole gave her insights on what description should be included from the average homeowner perspective. Jennifer recommended pictures of the top 20 trees and link for more be available in a handout and on our website link, and a book mark with tree information to hand out at our boot and elsewhere.**

**9. Other business Jack is meeting with our new Public Works director Josh Wright and Smithfield forester Hayden Downs tomorrow to discuss Hayden's arborist certification and tree care training for city employees and our committee members. (meeting has occurred- results reported above)**

**10. Next meeting March 7**