

# Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board Minutes

## December 6, 2018

Park Operations

2529 High Country Court, Grand Junction, CO 81501

Item 1: Meeting called to order by Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board Member, Kamie Long, Susan Carter accepted and Mollie Seconded at 8:05 AM.

Board Members Present: Kamie Long

Mollie Higginbotham

Susan Carter

Vince Urbina

Justin Drissel

Tom Ziola

**Paul Morency** 

Absent Board Members:

Additional Present: Bennett Boeschenstein, City Council

Mike Heinz, Trees R Us

Parks & Recreation Staff: Randy Coleman, Parks Supervisor

Christina Breault, Senior Admin. Asst.

Item 2: Approved Minutes for November, Kamie Long made motion to accept, Mollie Higginbotham accepted, Susan Carter seconded.

## **Item 3: Board Update**

• Introduction to new board members Tom Ziola and Paul Morency

### **Item 4: Training / ISA Certification**

- ISA training 3 weeks of training, each Tuesday, 2 classes so far going good
- ISA test will be the 18<sup>th</sup> of December in the Hospitality Suite at Lincoln Park, need 4 hours for testing
- 4 people scheduled for test
- Future testing and training discussed for early part of year, Proposed possible February training and testing.
- Generalized training also discussed for an all day training event, open to all, Tree workshop

### **Item 5: Forestry Update**

- Progress on Canyon View and the volunteer forest, forestry board recognition of past members
- Trail/path is in, plan on some planting in the spring
- Grant on Grand Valley Canopy is coming up and need to file an extension with update on progress

#### **Item 6: New Business**

- Integrating Arbor day into curriculum, need to have a meeting with school district
- Options on getting into, maybe an all-day event @ a school/planting of a tree, 4<sup>th</sup> grade good level to reach
- Arbor day events and what that looks like, charging more for ticket from \$2 to \$5 a ticket and limiting the amount of trees that can be won to 3
- Having a carbon footprint, a list of information on trees, cost savings, value of having in long run

#### Item 7: Adjourn

Kamie Long made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Susan Carter accepted and Justin Drissel seconded it. Meeting adjourned.

The next Forestry Board meeting will be held on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 8:00am at Parks Operations Building.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Christina Breault