



Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board Minutes

January 11, 2018

Parks Operations Building

2529 High Country Ct, Grand Junction, CO 81501

Item 1: Meeting Called to Order by Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board Member, Kamie Long at 8:06 a.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Mollie Higginbotham
Kamie Long
Susan Carter
Teddy Hildebrandt
Chuck Thompson
Justin Drissel

Parks & Recreation Staff Present:

Randy Coleman, Parks Supervisor
Darcy Austin, Sr. Administrative Assistant

Item 2: Approve Minutes

Mollie Higginbotham made a motion to accept the December 14, 2017 Forestry Board Minutes. The motion was seconded by Susan Carter.

Motion adopted by the Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board: Yes 6 No

Item 3: Arbor Day 2018

- CTC will keep poster contest for 5th graders again this year. Poster pads have been ordered and this year we will keep track of how many we give to the school's vs how many posters we get

back. Asked Kamie Long to check with CTC regarding why the weird paper size, could it be changed to a regular 8x11?

- Will work to get the application for Community Tree Planting out, as well as getting it up on Social Media.
- Discussed switching the way we raffle off the bigger container trees, possibly adding a \$5 fee to participate along with a class on how to properly plant the trees.
- If funds are available, we discussed the possibility of doing T-Shirts.
- Justin Drissel will head up the kid's tree climbing portion of Arbor Day. Will look at getting a sign made regarding safety rules for climbing.

Item 4: Forestry Update

- We are working on getting the new Greenhouse up and running with an aquaponics table. May use crawdads or tilapia fish in the table.
- Electricians will be coming next week to hook that up in the Greenhouse.

Item 5: New Business

- Will look into ordering a plaque for Vince Urbina honoring him for his award from the ISA.
- Will be planting a tree and placing a plaque at a park for Tom Ziola for his retirement from the City.
- TCI will be offering a training session for Safety in Denver at the end of February. Look on the website for more information.
- Kamie Long stated they are making progress on the ISA Conference in September 2018. They are trying to locate a proctor in our area.
- Pro Green Conference is the 13 -16th of February and can get you up to 9 CEU's in just two days.
- Discussed doing an annual aerial rescue training, possible this summer.

Item 6: Adjourn

The next Forestry Board meeting will be held on February 8, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. Justin Drissel made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Teddy Hildebrandt seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

Motion adopted by the Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board: Yes 5 No 0

Respectfully submitted,
Darcy Austin