

Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board Minutes

February 13,2020

Park Operations 2529 High Country Ct, Grand Junction, CO 81501

Item 1: Meeting came to Order by Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board Member, at 8:31 AM.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Kamie Long

Mollie Higginbotham

Susan Carter Paul Morency

Bennett Boeschenstein

Absent Board Members: Tom Ziola

Vince Urbina

Parks & Recreation Staff Present: Rob Davis, City Forester & Open Space Supervisor

Christina Breault, Sr. Administrative Assistant

Item 2: Approved Minutes for January, Susan made motion to accept, Bennett accepted, Mollie 2nd.

Item 3: Welcome Bennett Boeschenstein to the Forestry Board

- Discussion in regards to Ute/Pitkin potential to expand roads and direct result on the green infrastructure that would cause
- A MOTION WAS MADE BY MOLLIE TO BE INVOLVED IN GETTING MORE INFORMATION ON THE 1ST STREET/I-70 BUSINESS LOOP PLANS. PAUL 2ND THE MOTION, CALLED TO QUESTION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR OF MOTION, NONE OPPOSED.

Item 3: Forestry Updates:

- Look more into how the process of ISA Requirements were originally placed for 2021, voted or stamped. Check into language of code/ordinance
- Future informing options for the licensed tree providers on proper tree trimming in the City, ordinances, and general maintenance, possibly sending a brochure or a general update letter
- A MOTION WAS MADE BY SUSANON ADOPTING A LATE FEE ON TREE CARE PROVIDERS THAT DO NOT RENEW BY FEBRUARY 1ST OF \$50.00 AND HOW TO ADOPT THAT IN THE CITY, PAUL 2ND THE MOTION, ALL WERE IN FAVOR, NONE OPPOSED.
- Winter removals, about 20 short of goal as of now, been involved in aquaponics project

Arbor Day

- Reviewed current flyer/agenda for Arbor Day, decided that 2 Rounds of drawings for tree give away, \$5.00 tickets and/or \$20 for 5 entries. Taking donations for seedling give away along with offering them an educational handout, before and after pictures
- Before drawing, have an overview talk on tree care, how to plant. Winners of trees are required to participate in a "how to plant/care for" class before taking tree
- A silent auction will be held for urban wood slabs, require a minimum bid.
- A MOTION WAS MADE BY PAUL FOR THE CITY TO ORDER TREES/SEEDLINGS FOR ARBOR DAY 2020 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLANTING TREES IN THE COMMUNITY AND THE BENEFITS, BENNETT 2ND THE MOTION, ALL WERE IN FAVOR, NONE OPPOSED.

Parks and Rec Masterplan

- Like that the Forestry Board is involved in the City's Master Plan, greening of Parks and Public Spaces
- Rob Davis is now on the Urban Trails Commission Board

PHC

- Plant Health Care Specialist/chemical applicator, interviews in a few weeks
- Plan for Dan Wiedrich retirement

Activity Guide

• List in Activity Guide on some Forestry information, free street tree, watering in general, pick some topic related to inform residents

CTC Grant

Waiting on hearing if grant awarded

Item 4: New Business

 If a full Forestry Board next meeting, a request was made to vote on a New Chair and Vice Chair

Item 5: No Public Comments

Item 6: Adjourn

Paul made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mollie 2nd the motion, meeting was adjourned.

The next Forestry Advisory Board meeting will be held on March 5th, 2020 at 8:30 AM at the Parks Operations Building.
Respectfully Submitted by,
Christina Breault