



## *Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board Minutes*

*August 9, 2013*

*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 8:07 a.m.**

Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Kamie Long  
Teddy Hildebrandt  
Shirley Nilsen  
Richard Edwards  
Charles Thompson

Parks & Recreation Staff Present:

Tom Ziola, Forestry Supervisor  
Tricia Rothwell, Leisure Service Representative  
Darcy Austin, Leisure Service Representative (Absent)

**Item 2: Approve Minutes**

Teddy Hildebrandt moved to approve the July 3, 2013 Forestry Board Minutes. Charles Thompson seconded the motion to approve.

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

**Item 3: Licensing**

Tom: Going to add tree pruning to “C” licenses, can prune “off the ground”, this way landscapers can trim small trees. We should put on some training on trimming. Should the license be per company or per person?

Chuck: How would you audit that?

Teddy: Maybe the person licensed has to come in to renew.

Kamie: Our goal should be to get changes in place for next year.

Chuck: You could take a few questions off the existing test.

Tom: Still have them do a practical.

Kamie: When would be a good time to offer training?

Chuck/Teddy: Winter

Tom: For next year we should have in the place: The person who tested has to come in or provide proof by mail. We could include in the letter "If the person who tested is no longer with the company another person needs to come test."

We also added to licensing requirements Workers Compensation. This we will add to the renewal letter as well.

Kamie: There's a waiver to sign if you don't have any employees. Asked everyone to read the tree ordinance and make any suggestions for changes.

Tom: 8.32.090, Wants to include solar panels.

Kamie: Do we want to break up the reading?

Tom: We should read the whole thing.

Kamie: We'll go over ordinances at the September meeting.

Rich: There are typos in the test

Kamie: Ask Rich to revise it for Class "C".

Tom: I'm thinking about buying some ISA books for check out and studying.

Teddy: Confirming that September 6, 2013 is the next meeting? (Yes, that is correct)

\*\*Teddy had to leave at 8:47 a.m.

Tom: Told Board that Bighorn did not follow through with donation of service. T4 took one of the jobs.

Kamie: Next year we will say the job will be completed by September 15, or something like that.

#### **Item 4: Yard of the Month**

Rich: Shaws won, a xeriscaping yard on the Redlands.

Tom: Picture is done, sign is in the yard and write up is completed.

Kamie: August & September will get Bookcliff Gardens gift cards and I can judge for the month of August.

#### **Item 5: New Business**

Tom: Gold Leaf Award is due on Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>.

Kamie: Will proof it.

#### **Item 8: Adjourn**

Richard Edwards motioned to adjourn the meeting. Chuck Thompson seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion adopted by the Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board: Yes 4 No 0

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Darcy Austin