

Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board Minutes

July 3, 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 8:05 a.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Kamie Long

Teddy Hildebrandt Shirley Nilsen

Richard Edwards (Absent) Charles Thompson (Absent)

Parks & Recreation Staff Present: Tom Ziola, Forestry Supervisor

Tricia Rothwell, Leisure Service Representative Darcy Austin, Leisure Service Representative

City Council Members Present: Marty Chazen

Item 2: Approve Minutes

Kamie Long moved to approve the May 31, 2013 Forestry Board Minutes. Teddy Hildebrandt seconded the motion to approve.

Motion adopted by the Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board: Yes 3 No 0

Item 3: Tree Care Donation Wrap Up

Tom Ziola will call on thank you cards for the seven companies that participated. There was a total of 68 volunteer hours put into the program. Trish is going to get the addresses of all the properties and get them to Teddy Hildebrandt so he can go out and take "after" pictures of the work that was done. Marty Chazen stated that they could go to City Council and see about seeking a Resolution.

Item 4: Licensing ordinance, fines, and definitions

Tom Ziola asked the question if we wanted anyone who would be "touching a tree" to have an "A" License. It was agreed that those with Class "C" Licenses should have to take some sort of test to prove they know how to properly work on a tree. Will need to talk to Jamie Beard (Assistant City Attorney) about rewriting Class "C" requirements and ask about updates to by laws, just minimal changes.

Ordinance changes can take some time but hopefully this will improve the process overall. Also for 2014 we will require proof of workers compensation with Licensing.

Item 5: Yard Of The Month

June 2013 Yard of the Month was a tie breaker. It was determined that two of the four judges picked the same yard as number one so that put the home in first place. The property is at 1539 W. Sherwood Dr. The Shelleman's will be given their award at the July 17th City Council meeting.

Richard Edwards and Charles Thompson will be judging for the Month of July.

Item 6: New Business

Teddy Hildebrandt mentioned that his church works with a program called Just Serve.org and they are looking for volunteer opportunities. Shirley Nilsen stated that there are a lot of volunteer opportunities such as cleaning out flower beds on Main Street, pulling weeds at Canyon View, etc. Tom Ziola is going to discuss this next Monday at the Leadership Meeting and potentially put a list together for Teddy Hildebrandt which can be added to the Just Serve.com website.

Kamie Long told the Board that she has inventoried all the "Right of Way" trees between 1st & 4th.

Item 8: Adjourn

Teddy Hildebrandt motioned to adjourn the meeting. Kamie Long seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion adopted by the Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board: Yes 3 No 0

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Darcy Austin