



## *Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board Minutes*

*July 1, 2014*

*Main Street Bagels*

*559 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO*

### **Item 1: Meeting Called to Order by Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board Member, Kamie Long at 8:00 a.m.**

#### Roll Call

Board Members Present

Kamie Long  
Richard Edwards  
Shirley Nilsen  
Teddy Hildebrandt

City Council Member

Marty Chazen

Parks & Recreation Staff Present:

Tom Ziola, Parks Supervisor  
Jessica Dennison, Parks Sr. Administrative Assistant

### **Item 2: Approve Minutes**

Richard Edwards moved to approve the June 13, 2014 Forestry Advisory Board Minutes. Teddy Hildebrandt seconded the motion to approve.

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

### **Item 3: Yard of the Month**

Elizabeth Neubauer and volunteers judged ten yards to select June's Yard of the Month (YOM) winner (winner is yet to be determined). The winner will receive a certificate from T4 Tree Services. The Board decided nominees can't win YOM two consecutive years; however they will be invited to help judge yard. Kamie Long stated "thank you notes" will need to be written to the companies that donated gift certificates. Mrs. Long asked the Forestry Advisory Board to include the owners gardening tips in the Daily Sentinel write up. Teddy Hildebrandt suggested sending out a press release each month for the YOM winner, as a "feel good" story. City Council Member, Marty Chazen will try and help judge for August YOM.

**Item 4: Forestry Training Manual Updates**

Richard Edwards emailed his changes to Kamie Long. Mrs. Long stated she will update the Training Manual and email the latest version for the Forestry Board to review. Mrs. Long reminded the Forestry Board, the goal will be to have the Forestry Training Manual and License Test completed by December for the Western Slope Tree Care Workshop.

**Item 5: Forestry License Follow-Up**

Tom Ziola stated he contacted Jaime Beard, Assistant City Attorney for approval on renaming Class B Forestry License from “spraying” to “Pesticide Chemical Applicator.” Richard Edwards created a “Did You Know” flyer to hand out to companies that are not licensed, in hopes that they become aware of City Ordinances pertaining to tree care within city limits.

**Item 6: Western Slope Tree Care Workshop/ Western Colorado Community Forestry Conference**

Vince Urbina, Colorado State Forest Service emailed Susan Carter, Grand Junction Colorado State Extension Office, as well as Leslie Golub, Associated Landscape Contractors of Colorado, to see if they would be available to speak about irrigation during the workshop. Kamie Long stated a fourth sponsor is needed. Teddy Hildebrandt stated Ewing is looking into becoming a sponsor. Mrs. Long asked for pictures of good and bad large tree prunings for the large tree care presentation. The Forestry Board came up with a title along the lines of “Large Tree Care, Local Insect and Disease, and Drought.” Jessica Dennison will send out “Save the Dates” in July.

**Item 7: New Business**

Two trees in Grand Junction were awarded Colorado State Champion Trees; an Eastern Redbud and a Weeping White Mulberry tree. Tom Ziola stated he would like to put a list of all of Grand Junction’s State Champion trees on the City Forestry web page.

Marty Chazen stated City Council decided to move forward with a plan to expand free access to the Lincoln Park aquatic’s complex in light of the overburdening demand on the Main Street splash pad fountain. There will be no entrance fee to the splash pad facility at Lincoln Park for the remainder of the season. The expanded access to Lincoln Park will allow the Downtown splash pad to return to its original intended use as a water feature on Main Street.

**Item 8: Adjourn**

Kamie Long reiterated the next meeting date of August 1, and asked for further discussion before adjourning the meeting. Shirley Nilsen seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jessica Dennison