



Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board Minutes

October 3, 2014

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 8:00 a.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present

Chuck Thompson
Elizabeth Neubauer
Kamie Long
Richard Edwards
Shirley Nilsen
Teddy Hildebrandt

Parks & Recreation Staff Present: Tom Ziola, Parks Supervisor
Jessica Dennison, Parks Sr Administrative Assistant

Item 2: Approve Minutes

Richard Edwards moved to approve the August 1, 2014 Forestry Advisory Board Minutes. Elizabeth Neubauer seconded the motion to approve.

Motion adopted by the Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board: Yes 6 No 0

Item 3: Yard of the Month

Elizabeth Neubauer judged ten yards to select September's Yard of the Month winner. The September winner is Ted and Linda Koeman of 856 S Haven Crest and will receive a \$50 gift certificate from T4 Tree Services.

Item 4: Forestry Training Manual Updates/ Forestry Licenses

Kamie Long asked the Forestry Advisory Board to review the whole packet, go through the quizzes, check formatting, and wording before the next Forestry Board meeting.

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

Kamie Long contacted David Flag, International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) to set up continuing education credits (CEU's) for the Tree Care Workshop. A total of 6 credits will be offered. Elizabeth Neubauer is in touch with the Associated Landscape Contractors of Colorado (ALCC), and Commercial Pesticide Applicators for CEU's as well.

Elizabeth Neubauer mentioned having Kenton Smith of Paintbrush Gardens to talk about irrigation systems and trees. Ms. Neubauer stated Kenton has a lot of experience, is smart and enthusiastic. Tom Ziola and Ms. Neubauer will contact him to see if he is available to speak.

Kamie Long stated it would be fun to have T-shirts for sale at the workshop that state "Keep Calm & Plant A Tree" with proceeds benefiting the community in some way.

Kamie Long will contact the Colorado Tree Coalition in setting up online registration.

The Large Tree Climbing/Pruning speakers (Tom Ziola, Randy Coleman, Kamie Long, Teddy Hildebrandt and Chuck Thompson) will need to discuss and develop their presentation.

Item 7: New Business

The North Avenue Renovation Project was a success. City of Grand Junction crews demoed the median islands from 1st Street to 12th Street, installed irrigation, trees, and crushed granite, repaired curb and gutter, and painted the light poles.

Forestry crews are busy installing Christmas lights downtown. Parks crews are applying fall pre-emergent. Allen Lundy, Forestry Crew Leader will be retiring at the end of the month. His position along with another vacant full time Forestry Equipment Operation position will be open in the next month or two.

Item 8: Adjourn

Kamie Long reiterated the next meeting date of November 7, 2014, and asked for further discussion before adjourning the meeting. Elizabeth Neubauer seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion adopted by the Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board: Yes 6 No 0

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Dennison