



Grand Junction Forestry Advisory Board Minutes

March 1, 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 8:03 a.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Kamie Long
Teddy Hildebrandt
Shirley Nilsen
Richard Edwards
Carl Hochmuth
Charles Thompson

Parks & Recreation Staff Present:

Ryan Dennison, Forestry Department
Tricia Rothwell, Leisure Service Representative

Item 2: Approve Minutes

Rich Edwards moved to approve the February 8, 2013 Forestry Board Minutes. Charles Thompson seconded the motion to approve.

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

Item 3: Elect Chair and Vice Chair

Kamie Long stated that she was interested in continuing as Chair. Kamie asked for any other nominations. There were none.

Vote to retain Kamie Long as Chair: Yes 5 No 0

Kamie Long then asked for nominations for Vice Chair. Shirley Nilsen said she was interested in the position.

Vote to elect Shirley Nilsen as Vice Chair: Yes 5 No 0

Item 4: 2013 Arbor Day Program Discussion

Kamie Long stated that she has arranged the Master Gardners to help. Carl Hochmuth said he had some volunteers. Tricia Rothwell updated the Board on the companies donating tree service: T4, Big Horn and a verbal commitment from Trees R Us. Kamie Long confirmed that Teddy and Charles will divvy the donated hours among the raffle winners. Charles Thompson then gave verbal commitment for Alpine Tree Service to donate 8 hours. Kamie Long then facilitated dividing up the list of licensed tree care providers for the Board members to call regarding donating tree service.

Regarding the poster contest, Tricia Rothwell said there hasn't been much response from the teachers. The Board members volunteered to deliver the art pads to schools if needed. Tricia Rothwell will contact the teachers that participated last year. Charles Thompson will talk to Holy Family.

Kamie Long then started review of the time line. Tricia Rothwell summarized the walk through that was done at Lincoln Park with the Recreation staff. It was decided that the Ash tree near the Ash Shelter would be best for the Tree Climbing demo. There is a sidewalk under the tree that would need to be kept open though. Shirley Nilsen said she would follow up with Lowe's and what they would be able to donate. Tricia Rothwell told the Board that pens, pencils, and hats have been ordered. Items still being considered are water bottles and bookmarks. Shirley Nilsen said the bird guy would let us know April 13 if his bird will be able to attend. When birds molt they need to be left alone. Kamie Long then said she would talk to Division of Wildlife about ideas for crafts. Kamie Long continued on the time line: Wood carving – Tom Ziola has Randy Coleman and the carving club confirmed. Tree Climbing – Teddy Hildebrandt and Chuck Thompson will have this demo staffed. Wildlife presentation – Board agreed to scratch this. Arboretum – Teddy Hildebrandt said Ryan Gibb is ready. Crafts – Kamie Long will have Master Gardeners staff this. Pruning presentation – Kamie Long and Vince Urbina will present, and Carl Hochmuth and Rich Edwards will assist. Tree Selection presentation – Kamie will present and the Forestry Staff will help plant.

Kamie Long led the discussion to determine a time to sort through the Arbor Day posters. Kamie Long confirmed that they are due to the Colorado State Forest Service on April 5. Kamie Long suggested that CPC Solutions and perhaps the City of Grand Junction Administration be invited to judge. The Board set the poster sorting for March 26, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at the Parks Operations office.

Item 5: New Business

Tricia Rothwell handed out an updated calendar that included deadlines for publishing Yard Of The Month photos and write-ups with the Sentinel. Kamie Long explained that Board members have the responsibility for recruiting judges, judging, doing a write-up of the winner, and presenting to City Council. Tricia Rothwell will be responsible for creating maps, lists of addresses and door hangers. Kamie Long said that previously the Board had discussed prizes for the winners. The Board members agreed this was a good idea and that they would help solicit donations. Kamie Long then took volunteers for each month of the contest: May – Teddy Hildebrandt and Rich Edwards, June – Shirley Nilsen and Carl Hochmuth, July – Kamie Long and Chuck Thompson, August – Rich Edwards, September – Chuck Thompson. Shirley Nilsen stated she would get a letter ready for donations for Yard Of The Month.

Item 8: Adjourn

Teddy Hildebrandt motioned to adjourn the meeting. Rich Edwards seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tricia Rothwell