

FORESTRY MEETING MINUTES
February 5, 2009

ATTENDEES: John Hvizdos Bill Hicks Dennis Riley
 Val Philpott Cindy Erickson Skip Zopf
 Ken Siefken Wayne Eisenbrandt Steve Vittum
 Chip Wait

BEETLE INSPECTIONS

The beetle inspections have been completed. Kathryn Hardgrave, a CSFS Forester, will look at the 6 flagged trees on Friday, the 13th of this month, and determine which of them will have to be removed. The final count will be e-mailed to all Committee members and then posted on the Forestry Website.

JETCO

Jetco will be mailing their annual authorization sheet in March to our residents and lot owners for spraying trees to stem the outbreak of MPB and spread of Mistletoe. With that authorization is the annual Game Trail cover letter from the Forestry Committee. As a Committee we offer to flag any of our out-of-town lot owners' trees for spraying. A Forestry Committee member is listed on the cover letter as a contact. In the past Keith, Skip and Val have been contact persons. Bill Hicks has generously offered to be the 2009 contact person. Since Bill is already involved with our Board as its Treasurer, and is Game Trail's Webmaster, a second contact person is needed. Please let Val Philpott know if you can help.

GAME TRAIL'S RESPONSE TO A WILDFIRE

After a spirited discussion it was decided a reverse 911 will be implemented and the Chaffee County Sheriffs Dept will determine where we gather for information and safety. If time permits a reasonable attempt will be made to notify each resident of an impending fire by the block captains and our Website will post a warning.

A warning system was discussed, specifically a 'siren'. This was dismissed as ineffective because of our topography (ridges, vales, and glens); we felt too many of our residents may not hear the warning and therefore be at a great disadvantage.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Ken Siefken shared his problems in getting our CWPP signed. He is optimistic that he will have all necessary signatures soon.

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2009

