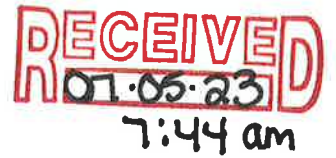

Alex Merchant

Grand Lake, CO 80447



6/12/2023

Dear Board of Trustees, Town Manager, Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem,

I am writing to express my interest in joining the Board of Trustees of Grand Lake as a Trustee. As a year-round resident of this city who has a passion for Nature, Water conservation, social justice and community I am deeply invested in the betterment of our community and want to play an active role in shaping its future.

I have been participating on a community member level since the winter at workshops and it has greatly sparked my interest in wanting to be more involved and active in helping our community. I have now been a member of the community for a little over a year and hope to settle in here because it has become my community.

As a young married queer member of the community I know I bring a different, unique perspective and valuable experience to the table. I also know that I want to continue to learn and grow in ways that will help to further my community and town at large.

With my passion for social justice, community and nature/water conservation I feel that it is proper for me to continue on this journey by participating in the betterment of our town and expressing my interest in wanting to be considered for the position with the Board of Trustees.

Sincerely,

Alex Merchant