

Sonja Birr

From: Lee Kummer - D5
Sent: Tuesday, October 03, 2017 1:57 AM
To: Steven Czekala - D9
Cc: Sonja Birr; Chad Scheinoha
Subject: Re: Christmas Trees

Sonja, please add this to the agenda. I believe it is Appleton where citizens deliver their Christmas trees to a designated site and in exchange they receive a voucher for a tree to plant in the spring. Either Chad or Alvin gave the report at the tree commission meeting. Many thanks from Lyon, Lee

On Oct 3, 2017, at 2:12 AM, Steven Czekala - D9 <sczekala@manitowoc.org> wrote:

Alder Kummer,

Could you please place the Christmas tree exchange on the PI agenda?

Thanks,
Steve

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Dan Koski <dkoski@manitowoc.org>
Date: October 2, 2017 at 5:31:02 PM CDT
To: Steven Czekala - D9 <sczekala@manitowoc.org>
Cc: Chad Scheinoha <cscheinoha@manitowoc.org>
Subject: FW: Christmas Trees

Steve,

So sorry but I noticed I never got back to you on this. Please see Chad's response below.

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From: Chad Scheinoha
Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 11:43 AM

To: Dan Koski
Subject: RE: Christmas Trees

I think it is a great idea!

The drop off site is already staffed at the county compost site. All that we need to do is fund the tree vouchers that they would give people. We are actually working on it already as I didn't think it would need committee approval. If they want to discuss that would be great as well.

I met with Tony Dick (noon rotary) and Kathy Bernhart (sunrise rotary) last week and rotary is considering funding it to some extent. They came to me asking where they could provide trees for the city and it was fresh in my mind from the commission meeting and grant writing so I recommended it to them as an option. We would also be able to fund it out of our tree fund. The trees more than likely trees will be seedlings provided by a nursery so cost is \$2-\$5 per tree. I really don't think we would have a tremendous volume take advantage of it but I'm sure there would be some.

I am also writing it into our DNR grant.

Maybe by getting the support of PI that will give it a little push. Sounds good to me.

Chad J. Scheinoha

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From: Dan Koski
Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 9:19 AM
To: Chad Scheinoha
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What do you think of this?

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From: Steven Czekala - D9
Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 8:43 AM
To: Dan Koski
Subject: Christmas Trees

Dan,

At the last Municipal Tree Commission meeting there was talk about citizens bringing their Christmas trees to a central location, and in return they would receive a certificate for a tree to plant where they desire, with limitations.

The upside that I see is it would diversify the trees that we have in the city. What I don't know is would it create a burden on your department by staffing the drop off site, or alleviate a burden by having less trees to pick up. The other thing is the cost of the trees.

What I am asking for is your opinion, if you think it would be worth going forward with this. If you think it has merit, I can ask Lee to put it on the PI agenda, and if not I will let it die.

Thanks,
Steve

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