



TOWN OF ERIE

645 Holbrook Street
Erie, CO 80516

Meeting Minutes

Tree Board

Wednesday, October 10, 2018

7:00 PM

Community Room

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENT AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

GENERAL BUSINESS

Review & Approval of September 2018 Minutes

Farmers' Market

- Re-cap - Rachel

Tree Talks

- 9/25 (re-cap) & 10/16 Talks – Art

Leaf Composting

- 11/3 & 11/18 – Art & Brian

Tree Buying Program

- Decision & Purchase Needs to Be Made – Sharon & All

Arbor / Earth Day 2019 Event

- 4/27/2019 – Brian

Future Direction

- Update(s) – Tom and Kim

Leanne and Sharon

Other?

Discussions

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting

November 14, 2018, 7:00

Community Room, Erie Town Hall

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ROLL CALL Brian O'Connor, Present

Tom Swihart, Excused

Kim Tuck, Present

Rachel Folger, Present

Arthur Henderlong, Present

Sharon Clark, Present

Leanne Vielehr, Present

Trustee Christiaan van Woudenberg, Present

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n/a

APPROVE September 2018 MEETING MINUTES

Moved to approve with changes: Art

Second: Leanne

Approved: unanimous

GENERAL BUSINESS**Farmer's Market Recap**

Would be better if we had handouts - quarter sheet with our fall events

Try it a week earlier next year (2nd to the last event)

But worth doing again

Free seeds would be good as well - seedlings might end up dying

Could staple the seed packet to the event sheet handout

Tree Talk Recap

Went well

Might doing a pruning demo was great

People commented on the large list of topics they are interested in

Mike would be willing to plant a tree demo next spring

This upcoming Tues is the next Tree Talk

33 people attended

Leanne discussed the results of the topic preference survey

Another survey will occur at upcoming tree talk - will take a look at cumulative results and make decisions for next year's topics.

Also added how did you hear about Tree talk question on the survey

Leaf Composting

Difficulty finding stair/platforms

Option - fence off an area to dump leaves, use a front loader to smash and put them in the bins. If on Saturday, there is no staff to do it. Can do that on Monday.

Tom from sustainability will talk to EcoCycle about possibly bringing the bins on Monday so people don't throw trash into the bins while unattended.

Rachel has a tiny bobcat with a bucket that could help push/compact

Need volunteers - looking into a way they can volunteer for the day/time they want. Sign up Genie.

There is a volunteer waiver form that they need to fill out.

Need a supply list to give to Mike - traffic cones, etc, extra snow fence, extra post, extra post driver. Mike's crew will take care of that.

Louisville's program starts on Oct 15th, 7 days a week. Art will observe how they do it and note insights for our program.

Table/banner - banner is good, keep handouts to minimum. Do encourage people to provide feedback about the program.

Art will make up a list of signs/stuff for Katie/Mike to print/provide - arrows,

free bags, volunteer signup, etc., box of dust masks, scissors/cutter on a cord.

We need to have at least one person from Tree/Sustainability boards there per shift per supervisory role.

Art will make a signup list for us.

Also a list that volunteers should bring - like gloves, dress warmly, sunscreen, water bottle, long pants,

Christiaan will work with Katie to do advertising pushes

Should we offer lunch? Or just snack bars? Depends on weather? Shift breaks are at lunchtime.

Tree Buying Program

Orders due by Dec 15th but have already started

We could sell the trees at Arbor day

Need ~2 people to handle payment processing

Mike could pick/order them, since he would have to use any excess

Can the town tree funds subsidize the costs?

We can charge a flat fee \$20-\$40 per tree - enough incentive that people want to plant them quickly so they'll survive

How long can Mike keep them and water them?

Rachel will contact Mike (assisted by Art) to tell him we want to do this, how can we subsidize them, if he can pick the trees, and how we can handle payments.

Arbor/Earth Day 2019

Sharon will lead

Leanne will help

Brian will send Sustainability contact

Xcel wants to know more details before committing

United Power hasn't responded

See if Mike can buy more tents

Hours 10am - 12pm on last Saturday in April.

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