

- December 7th from 5:30pm-8:00pm; will be our 5th annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony for *HOME FOR THE HOLIDAY*. This is a great event and we will see everyone there!
- Council approved the selling of Christmas Trees at the Denny Craycraft Veterans Freedom Park for fund raising.

Council Meeting December 3rd

We had the first reading to potentially amend the Medical Marijuana Ordinance #550. The original ordinance allowed for the growing of 500 plants. Since approval in 2018, they have now secured additional funding and can support 1500 plants. In addition the zoning was conditional to timing and as they build the actual grow facility behind the current location the current location will drop off the industrial zoning classification. To allow for the transition in the future and to allow for appropriate state approval they have requested that the back property be zoned for 1500 plants. The planning commission will consider and recommend to the City Council their recommendation from a meeting scheduled on December 16th that will be presented to the City Council on December 17th.

Gregg Moore presented a request to purchase 19 SCBA cylinders for the fire department. In a nut shell these are oxygen/air tanks used for breathing while fighting fires. The projected life is as much as 30 years, while this is an expense, the 19 tanks could help in timing and the fighting of local fires and ultimately save lives. This was approved 5/0 by the council. Gregg is also retiring soon and his service and commitment to our community is greatly appreciated.

The Belding Library held their 17th annual Candlelight reception on Monday the 2nd. The event was well attended is one of the Belding highlights to the season. Jim Mason and the Friends of the Library all do a great job with this event and as one patron mentioned, "This is just a classy event!"

We have one more City Council meeting before the new year on December 17th. On behalf of the Council, we would like to wish everyone a safe and festive holiday.

Thank you....