

City of Ann Arbor

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Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, March 9, 2021

9:00 AM

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Electronic Meeting

Elizabeth Dean Fund Committee

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 9:02 AM.

Note: Tiffany Giacobazzi is Staff Liaison and non-voting member of the committee.

Present 5 - Ken Westerman, R. Donald Wortman, Tiffany Giacobazzi, Elizabeth (Beth) Collins, and Lynn Nybell

Absent 3 - Ravi Raghani, Samuel Burnstein, and Elisabeth Merrill C. Dudley

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Collins moved to accept the agenda as presented. Westerman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[21-0460](#) February 9, 2021 Meeting Minutes of the Elizabeth Dean Fund Committee

Changes include:

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- Committee Terms: Update from Robert Mulcihy - "Councils" should be "Council's"

- Jackson & Westover Median Landscape Plan - "moves" should be "moved"

- Leslie Science & Nature Center Concept Master Plan - "is" should be "was"

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- First Paragraph - "Hillary and Adam agreed to come discuss with their supervisor and come up with potential ideas for discussion with the committee." should be "Hillary and Adam agreed to meet with their supervisor and come up with potential ideas for discussion with the committee."

- February Projects & Budget Breakdown - "January committee" should be "January committee meeting"

Collins moved to approve the February 9 meeting minutes as amended. Westerman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS

Introductions

Lynn Nybell introduced herself. She has been a resident of Ann Arbor for 50 years. She is excited to contribute to committee projects and learn more about Elizabeth Dean and her legacy.

21-0491 March Staff Report

Staff updated the committee about the 17-year cicada emergence and impacts on spring planting projects.

Staff presented a list of parks requesting funding to plant conifer species this spring for consideration by the committee. Cicadas do not impact conifers and this would be a way to plant trees this spring.

Westerman moved to ask Hillary & Adam to investigate potential plantings at each park presented and to produce landscape plans for consideration at the next committee meeting. Nybell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

21-0464 17-Year Cicada Fast-Facts Sheet**21-0467** Natural Features Committee University of Michigan SEAS Master's Project Proposal

The committee is excited about the SEAS project and looks forward to progress updates.

21-0461 March Budget Report**21-0462** March Projects & Budget Breakdown

Collins moved to unencumber the \$3,000.00 from the smaller Riverside project. Westerman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

21-0463 FY2022 Projects & Budget Breakdown

Arbor Day 2021 - Kellee Byard

Arbor Day 2021:

Date: October 1, 2021

The committee will choose between two possible options:

Option 1: Planting 40 Trees in front of 40 Homes: This year marks Ann Arbor's 40th anniversary as a Tree City USA community. In honor of that anniversary, the committee would fund planting 40 trees in front of 40 homes. Residents would sign up for a tree to be planted in front of their home in the right-of-way (ROW). The first 40 residents signed up would be selected, after verification the planting site is suitable for a tree.

Option 2: Pioneer School Planting: The committee would look to partner with the Pioneer High School Ecology club to plant trees in the ROW adjacent to the school on S. 7th Street.

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NEXT AGENDA ITEMS

- Park Planting Landscape Plans: conifer trees*
- Arbor Day 2021*
- Cicada update*
- SEAS Project Update*

ADJOURNMENT

Collins moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 AM. Westerman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.