Dean Fund Committee Meeting May 20, 2008 Wheeler Center 4251 Stone School Rd., Ann Arbor MINUTES

Members Present: Warren Attarian, John Bassett, Charles Cares, Al Gallup, Don Gray, John Remsberg

Members Absent: Merrill Dudley

Staff Present: Lisa DeWolfe, Tim Towles, Kay Sicheneder

Warren Attarian called the meeting to order at 8:14 a.m.

The minutes from the April 22, 2008 meeting were reviewed.

Old Business

- **Spring Planting 2008- Tim Towles** provided an update of the spring planting project the DFC funded in the Champagne neighborhood off Stone School Road. **Mr. Towles** said the planting went well and the neighbors were very pleased.
 - Committee members commented that they liked the signs that were provided for the planting project.
- **Mr. Attarian** mentioned the need to have City Council representation on the Committee. He has been in contact with the Mayor and has provided him with a list of possible City Council members who may be interested in serving. The Council member only needs to attend some of the meetings and not all of them.

New Business

• Committee <u>tabled</u> the vote on the percentage of the Dean Fund's yearly budget to be reinvested in the corpus of the fund.

Other Items

- Effective June 2, 2008 **Kay Sicheneder** will return as the Forestry Supervisor in Field Operations. **Tim Towles** will become the Compost Supervisor.
- **Mr. Attarian** would like to take a tour of the city at a future meeting to identify possible locations for Dean Fund tree plantings/projects.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 17-8:00 a.m. at the Wheeler Center

Dean Fund Committee Meeting June 17, 2008 Wheeler Center 4251 Stone School Rd., Ann Arbor MINUTES

Members Present: John Bassett, Charles Cares, Al Gallup, Don Gray, John Remsberg

Members Absent: Warren Attarian, Merrill Dudley

Staff Present: Kay Sicheneder

Old Business

- **Dean Fund Guidelines- Committee** reviewed the criteria used for the evaluation of projects. **Committee** discussed changing the priorities as follows
 - Group 1 Priority: Major streets, downtown and major parks are top priorities.
 - O Change this priority to remove parks because the Rotary Club does park plantings and millage funds can be used towards replanting the parks. In addition, remove downtown because the Downtown Development Authority is very active with replanting the downtown area.
 - Add deforested neighborhoods (neighborhood streets that have been devastated by EAB).
 - Group 2 Priority: All other project proposals fall into the Group #2 classification:
 - O Change this priority to add community centers and public housing sites. Public housing sites will be considered if the tree planting requests come from the residents rather than the manager.
- **Dean Fund Visibility- Committee members** would like to find ways to increase the visibility of the Committee and what they do, to the residents of Ann Arbor.

New Business

• Al Gallup motioned to pre-order 100 trees for replacement at locations to be determined. Don Gray seconded. Motioned passed unanimously.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 19-8:00 a.m. at the Wheeler Center August 19 Agenda Items:

- -Update on spring tree planting (Kay)
- -Dean Fund Committee budget (Committee)
- -Discussion of Fall 08 and Spring 09 tree planting projects (Kerry and Committee)- possible field tour of sites
- -Dean Fund Committee publicity and City website (Kerry and Committee)