

**Dean Fund Committee Meeting
November 20, 2018 @ 9:00 a.m.
Guy C. Larcom City Hall – 1st floor South Conference Room
301 E. Huron St., Ann Arbor
MINUTES**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Ben Muth called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

Members Present: Edith Bletcher, Monica Milla, Ben Muth, Ken Westerman, Don Wortman

Members Absent: Sue Perry, Merrill Dudley

Staff Present: Kerry Gray

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Edi Bletcher requested the addition of the

Ken Westerman moved to approve November 20, 2018 agenda as amended; **Don Wortman seconded the motion.** Committee unanimously approved.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr Westerman moved to approve October 23, 2018 meeting minutes; **Monica Milia seconded the motion.** Committee unanimously approved.

IV. BUSINESS

1. FY19 Budget and Project Update

Kerry Gray provided an update on projects funded in FY19 (July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019).

2. Discussion Item #1: FY19 Project Ideas

a. Tappan School on Stadium -

Committee would like to evaluate if there are opportunities to plant trees on the lawn extension on Stadium by Tappan Middle School.

b. Scio Church Median – Ms. Gray evaluated area and Scio Church is still under construction. There are new infiltration basins in the islands east of S. Seventh that will impact where new trees are located on the island. Ms. Gray will check with city Engineering on when construction is anticipated to be completed.

c. Northside STEAM – Arbor Day Planting – Mr. Muth and Ms. Milia will reach out to teachers at Northside STEAM to see if there is interest in participating in an Arbor Day tree planting. Committee also discussed if the idea of developing a tree curriculum around the event.

d. Plymouth Road (Plymouth Parkway) by railroad – Committee discussed planting 5-6 trees on Plymouth Road by where the railroad embankment washed out several years ago. Estimated cost to plant is \$2,400. Committee prefers Oak trees to help

screen view of railroad tracks. If resources are not available in the FY19, Committee would like to fund the project in FY20.

- e. **Planting on S. Main Street** – Committee discussed if there are opportunities to plant on S. Main Street. Staff explained that due to the narrow extensions in front of many properties on S. Main St. tree planting would need to be done on private property. The Dean Fund (and City) cannot plant trees on private property.

- 3. **Citizen Tree Planting** – At the November 19, 2018 City Council approved a resolution (R-18-462) “directing the City Administrator to develop recommendations for a citizen tree planting program.” This resolution was sponsored by Councilmember Ackerman who would like the City to explore options to make it more affordable for residents who want to plant a street tree, at their own expense, in the right-of-way.

V. **NEXT AGENDA ITEMS**

December 11, 2018 Agenda Items – Project Ideas

VI. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

VII. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Wortman moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:18 a.m. Ms. Milia seconded.

Dean Fund Budget Allocation - FY 19		
Activity #		
6317	Post Plant Care	\$ 12,000.00
6320	Trimming	\$ 12,000.00
6325	Stump Removal	\$ 1,800.00
6327	Tree Planting	\$ 24,000.00
6329	Tree Removals	\$ 10,200.00
	Total	\$ 60,000.00

Project Name	Approved Amount	Status
Vet's Park Project completion – landscape back bed	\$5,000.00	Approved 08/08/2017
Tree Trimming Main Street Dean Promenade from William to Liberty	\$5,000.00	Approved 07/10/2018.
Post-planting Care	\$8,200.00	Approved 07/10/2018
Purchase Tree Guards	\$770.00	Approved 07/10/2018
Cable and Bracing Supplies	\$1,000.00	Approved 07/10/2018
Street Tree Planting: S Seventh St median from south entry drive at Pioneer High School to Scio Church.	\$10,000.00	Approved 10/23/2018 – to be completed Spring 2019
Tree injection of tree on Packard 2222 Packard St.	\$460.00	Approved 10/23/2018
Tree guards for newly planted trees	\$600.00	Approved 10/23/2018
Fall 2018 – staff street tree planting	\$15,000.00	Approved 10/23/2018
Tree injection of Wurster Park Black Oak	693.00	Approved 10/23/2018
Total	\$46,723.00	
FY2019 Budget	\$60,000.00	
Remaining Unencumbered Budget	\$13,277.00	

2018 Meeting Calendar

January 9, 2018
February 20, 2018
March 13, 2018
April 10, 2018

May 8, 2018 - **cancelled**
June 7, 2018 – Tree Planting @ Vet's Park
July 10, 2018
August 14, 2018 - **cancelled**

September 11, 2018 - **cancelled**
October 9, 2018
November 13, 2018
December 11, 2018