

**Dean Fund Committee Meeting  
March 10, 2015  
Wheeler Center  
4251 Stone School Rd., Ann Arbor  
MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Edith Bletcher, Patrick Ion, Jane Immonen, Ben Muth

**Members Absent:** John Bassett and Sue Perry

**Guests:** Bryan Kelly

**Staff Present:** Kerry Gray and Steve Goebel

Jane Immonen called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

**Public Comment:** None

**Action Item #1- Approve March 10 Agenda**

**Patrick Ion motioned** to approve February 10 agenda as amended. **Benjamin Muth seconded.** Committee unanimously approved.

**Action Item #2- Approve February 10 Meeting Minutes**

**Mr. Ion motioned** to approve February 10, 2015 minutes as amended. **Mr. Muth seconded.** Committee unanimously approved.

Update meeting February minutes to reflect that the investment income for FY2017 is \$27,500.

**Information Item #1: FY15 Dean Fund Budget and Project Update**

FY15 Budget: \$10,515.77 has been spent to date. There are tree purchases, staff/equipment time for tree planting and structural pruning staff/equipment time that has not posted to the Dean Fund budget yet. It may take some time for purchases, staff and equipment time to post to the Dean Fund account; some work that has been completed may not be reflected in this month's budget report.

**Structural Pruning:** Forestry has been doing structural pruning in Foxfire and Skydale neighborhoods and will soon move into the Orchard Hills/Georgetown neighborhood. Steve Goebel will provide a count of the number of trees pruned to date at the April meeting.

**Vesper Project:** Crabapples on Vesper the plan is to remove and replace approximately 10 this year, and then in a few years remove and replace additional so we're not removing all the trees at one time. The remaining trees will be pruned after they have flowered this spring.

**Mr. Muth** would prefer to move the money out of the structural pruning budget to another project if there is any unspent.

**Information Item #2: Next Meeting Date (April 14, 2015)**

Agenda Items: Budget Update  
Contracting or City staff to complete work this year  
Adding additional money to FY2016 from prior year fund balance

**Information Item#3: Map Ann Arbor Tree Inventory Link**

Map Ann Arbor Tree Inventory link:  
[http://gisapp.ewashtenaw.org/Html5Viewer\\_2\\_3/index.html?configBase=http://gisapp.ewashtenaw.org/Geocortex/Essentials/REST/sites/A2Trees/viewers/City\\_of\\_Ann\\_Arbor\\_Trees/virtualdiectory/Resources/Config/Default](http://gisapp.ewashtenaw.org/Html5Viewer_2_3/index.html?configBase=http://gisapp.ewashtenaw.org/Geocortex/Essentials/REST/sites/A2Trees/viewers/City_of_Ann_Arbor_Trees/virtualdiectory/Resources/Config/Default)

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**Discussion Item #1: Dean Fund Project Work Plan draft)**

Committee reviewed sample work plan for the Brooklyn Ave, Granger Ave and Morton Ave Rejuvenation project that was completed in 2012-2013. Committee was interested in creating maintenance work plan for future projects.

**Discussion Item #2: Brainstorming Project Ideas for FY2016**

- Cabling trees—approximately \$200 per tree
- Vet’s Park rejuvenation project- approximately \$10,000
- Tree Inventory Updates- over a period of time. Staff will look into costs for this project and develop a project proposal to be reviewed at a future meeting.

**Ms. Immonen** adjourned the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

**Project Summary**

Project Name	Approved Amount	Status
Tree Planting- replace newly planted dead trees	\$20,000	Approved 07/08/2014
Structural Tree Pruning- small/medium trees. Allocate \$2,800 for pruning crabapples on Vesper.	\$30,000	Approved 07/08/2014
Post Plant Care (watering)	\$5,000	Approved 07/08/2014
Tree Planting in Dean Promenade to replace four recently removed trees	\$2,000	Approved 10/14/2014
Removal and replacement of crabapple trees on Vesper St.	\$3,600	Approved 12/09/2014
<b>Total</b>	\$60,600	
<b>Remaining Unencumbered Budget</b>	\$0	

<b>DEAN FUND BUDGET</b>	<b>FY 15</b>
<b>Investment Income (Projected)</b>	\$25,000
<b>Prior Year Fund Balance</b>	\$35,000
<b>Total</b>	\$60,000

<b>DEAN FUND BUDGET</b>	<b>FY 16</b>
<b>Investment Income</b> <i>(Projected)</i>	\$25,000
<b>Prior Year Fund Balance</b>	\$30,000
<b>Total</b>	\$55,000

<b>DEAN FUND BUDGET</b>	<b>FY 17</b>
<b>Investment Income</b> <i>(Projected)</i>	\$27,500
<b>Prior Year Fund Balance</b>	\$30,000
<b>Total</b>	\$57,500

**2015 Meeting Calendar**

~~January 13, 2015~~

~~February 10, 2015~~

~~March 10, 2015~~

April 14, 2015

May 12, 2015

June 9, 2015

July 14, 2015

August 11, 2015

September 8, 2015

October 13, 2015

November 10, 2015

December 8, 2015