

# City of Ann Arbor

301 E. Huron St.

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## Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, May 14, 2019

9:00 AM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, First floor, south conference  
room

**Elizabeth Dean Fund Committee**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

- Present** 6 - Susan Perry, Edith Bletcher, Ken Westerman, R. Donald Wortman, Monica Milla, and Tiffany Giacobazzi
- Absent** 2 - Benjamin Maier Muth, and Elisabeth Merrill C. Dudley

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Westerman moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Seconded by Milla. Motion passed.**

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

[19-0991](#) Elizabeth Dean Fund Committee Meeting Minutes April 9, 2019

**Westerman moved to Amend the 04.09.19 Meeting Minutes to include the name of the Guest who provided comments at the meeting: Dave Diephuis. Seconded by Milla. Motion Passed. Westerman motioned to approve the Meeting Minutes as Amended. Seconded by Milla.**

**BUSINESS**

1. STAFF REPORT

*Project Updates*

*#2: Vet's Park. There currently is a hose that runs on a timer that will be utilized to water the trees here. Installation of an irrigation system is on hold until the VFW installs a lighted flag pole. All underground utilities, including irrigation, will be installed at that time.*

*#5: Champion Tree List. The committee is supportive of providing additional care of Landmark and Champion trees in parks. They encourage Parks Staff to bring maintenance and healthcare needs to the committee for consideration.*

*#6: W. Stadium Blvd (Pioneer High School) near 7th Street. The committee is interested in finding alternative funding sources for planting on school lands. Encourages staff to seek funding opportunities.*

*Potential Projects*

*#2: Vet's Park Soldier Row. Committee would like to fund a tree planting of large shade trees interspersed with the existing crab apple trees. They would like to see plans with species recommendations and estimated costs to move forward with this project.*

*#4: Dean Promenade/Main Street. Committee would like to a recommended course of action from Matt Waldsmith, Forestry Supervisor with estimated project costs. This is a project they would like to fund.*

[19-0992](#) Staff Report May 2019

2. FY19 BUDGET & PROJECTS UPDATE

[19-0993](#) Budget Performance Report

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

ITEM #1: PARKS PROJECTS UPDATES

*Update by City Staff, Scott Spooner: Contract forestry contract is nearing completion. They will use the contract forestry company to prune at minimum five parks, one park in each city Ward.*

ITEM #2: ARBOR DAY 5.17.19

**ITEM #3: PLAYGROUND SHADE TREE PLANTING**

*Committee supports funding planting of shade trees near playground areas. For each park, they would like to see a plan outlining the location of the trees, recommended species, and estimated project costs, including post-planting tree care (watering).*

**ITEM #4: CITIZEN TREE PLANTING PROGRAM**

*Committee is interested in funding tree planting in low-canopy and high-use areas.*

**NEXT AGENDA ITEMS**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Milla moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:51 a.m. Perry Seconded.**

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