

City of Ann Arbor

301 E. Huron St.

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

9:00 AM

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

Elizabeth Dean Fund Committee

I CALL TO ORDER

II ROLL CALL

Present 8 - Benjamin Maier Muth, Susan Perry, Edith Bletcher, Ken Westerman, R. Donald Wortman, Elisabeth Merrill C. Dudley, Monica Milla, and Tiffany Giacobazzi

Staff Present: Matt Waldsmith, Forestry Supervisor; Cara Arbeit, Management Assistant

III APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Elisabeth Merrill Dudley requested an addition to Business: Discussion Item #4: Tree Planting Request from Resident.

A motion was made by Westerman, seconded by Wortman, that the be Approved with changes. On a voice vote, Ben Muth (Chairperson) declared the motion carried.

IV APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IV [19-0671](#) EDFC Meeting Minutes 2.15.19

A motion was made by Wortman, seconded by Bletcher, that the Minutes be Approved by the Board and forwarded to the City Council. On a voice vote, the Chairperson, Ben Muth declared the motion carried.

V BUSINESS

1. INTRODUCTION OF NEW URBAN FORESTRY & NATURAL RESOURCES PLANNING COORDINATOR

Tiffany introduced herself and gave her background prior to accepting this position.

2. FY19 BUDGET & PROJECTS UPDATE

Committee members are satisfied with the status of the budget.

[19-0370](#) Dean Fund FY 2019/2020 Priorities

1. *Vet's Park: Plant a "Soldier Row" on the south side of Maple.*
2. *Argo Park: Air spade walnut trees around the canoe shelter.*
3. *Dean Promenade/Main Street: Remove stump(s) from planting pits. Air/water spade and remove. Replant.*
4. *Tappen Tree Planting: Plant trees near Tappen school.*

Allocate \$1,000.00 towards the purchase of tree guards.

A motion was made by Perry, seconded by Westerman, that the allocation of \$1,000.00 towards the purchase of tree guards be Approved. On a voice vote, Ben Muth, Chairperson, declared the motion carried.

[19-0672](#) 032019BudgetPerformance

3. DISCUSSION: ARBOR DAY 4.26.19

Ideas for Arbor Day:

1. *Northside Tree Planting (future Arbor Day, possibly 2020).*
2. *Locate a Landmark with a vacant planting site nearby. Photo with Landmark tree and plant "future Landmark Tree."*
3. *Angel School: South University on Extension.*

VI NEXT AGENDA ITEMS

Meeting Date: May 14, 2019

1. *Update from Parks Maintenance:*
 - *Vet's Park: Irrigation & tree planting update*
 - *Argo Park: Canoe rental construction update*
2. *DDA Project: Silva cell installation.*

VII PUBLIC COMMENT

Member of the public had the following comments:

1. *Would like to see trees planted in the extension in front of Stadium.*
2. *Arbor Day: Have a "Celebrate Arbor Day" pop-up on the main A2 webpage similar to the "MgoBlue" on the U of M webpage. After clicking on the image, they'd be directed to the main A2 page.*
3. *Leverage additional monies: Work with neighborhood organizations (homeowners associations) that would possibly match E. Dean Fund dollars. Perhaps have an application process and pick one project per year.*

VIII ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Westerman, seconded by Muth, that the meeting Adjourn. On a voice vote, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

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