

**ARBOR BOARD OF LOWELL**  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2016**  
**12 P.M.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL**

The Meeting was called to order at 12:06 p.m. by Chair Reagan and the roll was called.

Present: Diane LaWarre, Melissa Spino, Jim Hodges and Chair Reagan.

Absent: Tamela Spicer

Also Present: Sue Ullery, Greg Pierce and Ron Woods

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by LAWARRE to approve the agenda as presented.

YES: 4. NO: 0. ABSENT: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

3. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.**

IT WAS MOVED BY LAWARRE and seconded by SPINO to approve the regular minutes of the November 9, 2015 meeting as written.

YES: 4. NO: 0. ABSENT: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

4. **REVIEW FINANCIAL REPORTS.**

IT WAS MOVED BY SPINO and seconded by LAWARRE to approve the financial reports as presented.

YES: 4. NO: 0. ABSENT: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

5. **CITIZEN COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.** No comments were received.

6. **OLD BUSINESS.** Hodges commented on the grant request made to the Look Fund. He encouraged the board to keep applying.

7. **NEW BUSINESS.**

a. Election of Chair. By general consensus, the board elected Jim Reagan as Chair.

b. Approve 2016 Meeting Dates.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by LAWARRE to approve the 2016 meeting dates as presented.

YES: 4. NO: 0. ABSENT: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

- c. Comprehensive Tree Plan – 2016-2017 - Recommendation to the City Council. The Comprehensive Tree Plan will be presented to the City Council at its March 21, 2016 meeting.

Hodges suggested the board think about the upcoming road construction that will be completed and what trees may compliment the projects.

- d. 825/829 Lafayette – Tree Removal. LaWarre did not see much of a difference in the trees since last year. Hodges noted the roots are bringing the ground up some but felt it could be looked at again down the road. Spino suggested tabling the item. Pierce stated the trees are not threatening the power lines.

Reagan stated it is important to remember the reason why the Arbor Board was created.

IT WAS MOVED BY HODGES and seconded by SPINO to table the tree removal until further consideration.

YES: 4. NO: 0. ABSENT: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

8. **BOARDMEMBERS COMMENTS.**

The board discussed applying to the LCTV Endowment Fund, Arbor Day Tree and which business might be awarded the “Arbor Day Tree”. The health food store and S. Monroe parking lot were brought up.

Suggestions for spring plantings included Pebble Beach and the walking park near Walgreens. Spino felt four to five trees could be planted near Walgreens and suggested Red Buds.

IT WAS MOVED BY LAWARRE and seconded by SPINO to adjourn at 12:30 p.m.

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James E. Reagan, Chair

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Susan Ullery, Recording Secretary