

ARBOR BOARD OF LOWELL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2016
12 P.M.

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

The Meeting was called to order at 12:07 p.m. and the roll was called.

Present: Perry Beachum, Diane LaWarre and Chair Reagan.

Absent: Jim Hodges and Melissa Spino

Also Present: Sue Ullery, Steve Donkersloot, Rich LaBombard and Don DeJong.

2. **EXCUSE OF ABSENCES**

IT WAS MOVED BY BEACHUM and seconded by LAWARRE to excuse the absences of Hodges and Spino.

YES: 3. NO: 0. ABSENT: 2. MOTION CARRIED.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

YES: 3. NO: 0. ABSENT: 2. MOTION CARRIED.

4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.**

IT WAS MOVED BY LAWARRE and seconded by REAGAN to approve the regular minutes of the June 13, 2016 meeting as written.

YES: 3. NO: 0. ABSENT: 2. MOTION CARRIED.

5. **REVIEW FINANCIAL REPORTS.**

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

YES: 3. NO: 0. ABSENT: 2. MOTION CARRIED.

5. **CITIZEN COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.**

John Curtis (Bucky) of Curtis Cleaners stated the business will be expanding and wanted the Arbor Board's opinion on removing some overgrown trees from their property. One is growing into the sidewalk. Reagan had no problem with the removal because of the wire's overhead. However, he mentioned trimming as an option.

6. **OLD BUSINESS.**

- a. Tree Plantings at Pebble Beach Apartments/Stoney Lakeside Park. Rich LaBombard noted this project had been postponed until the weather is more appropriate for planting trees. A couple trees that are planted in the right of way along Bowes Road will be relocated at Pebble Beach Apartments.
- b. Tree for Jim Hall. The Arbor Board will donate \$500 in memory of a tree for Jim Hall. A location along the Riverwalk has been chosen. Don DeJong will choose the tree.
- c. M21 Project – Placement of Two New Trees. MDOT had to remove two trees at the corner of Main and Hudson. Replacement trees will be planted in the 200 block along Main Street.
- d. Tree Removal – City Hall. LaBombard requested the removal of six trees in front of City Hall along N. Monroe. The berries create a mess. Beachum suggested the idea of possibly transplanting

7. **NEW BUSINESS.**

- a. Fall Plantings. The board discussed possible fall plantings. The area behind Walgreens was considered, S. Monroe parking lot and a dedication tree for Jim Hall. Perry Beachum mentioned planting trees at Creekside Park to help block the noise created by Litehouse, Inc.

8. **BOARDMEMBERS COMMENTS.**

Lawarre stated she was in favor of removing the three trees near the S. Monroe parking lot.

IT WAS MOVED BY LAWARRE and seconded by BEACHUM to adjourn at 12:45 p.m.

James E. Reagan, Chair

Susan Ullery, Recording Secretary