



MINUTES

Tree Board Meeting

June 22, 2026

7:00 pm

2395 12 Mile Rd. Berkley, MI 48072

Present:

T. Losey (Chair)

L. Fritsch (Vice Chair)

S. Bard (Secretary)

E. Fogle

D. Hennen (Council Liaison)

A. Wozniak (Staff Liaison)

Absent (Excused):

Absent (Unexcused):

F. Foen

B. Lathrop

Additional Attendees:

None

- I. Call to order/Roll Call
- II. Approval of prior April Meeting Minutes/Today's Agenda
- III. Public Comments
- IV. Old Business – MiDNR Letter of Support, Street Tree Educational Outreach, Board Vacancies, Public Outreach Events, Berkley Days Volunteer Opportunities
- V. DPW Update – A. Wozniak
- VI. New Business – AI/LiDar Technology Use for Tree Canopy
- VII. Council Liaison update – D. Hennen
- VIII. Adjournment

The Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

Approval of prior Minutes

Motion Maker: L. Fritsch

Second: E. Fogle

Motion: Approved

Approval of today's Agenda:

Motion Maker: L. Fritsch

Second: E. Fogle

Motion: Approved

There were no public comments.

Old Business

MidNR Letter of Support – T. Losey reported that the MidNR Letter of Support was sent to a comprehensive distribution list and received 3 responses expressing gratitude for the letter and the Board's efforts.

Street Tree Educational Outreach

The Board had a brief discussion on providing recipients of street trees care instructions/general tree care guidance throughout the year. A. Wozniak reminded the Board that residents receive a care packet when their street tree is planted. He will confirm the authority to send additional information via e-mail and will update the Board at the next meeting. This topic will be discussed further at the September meeting focusing on content, (general care, do's and don'ts, pruning, timing of communication, etc.).

Board Vacancies

T. Losey informed the Board that 2 applications were received to fill Board vacancies. The applicants will be interviewed by City Council in July.

Public Outreach Events

The Board briefly discussed public educational Outreach event(s). Most likely the event will be held at the library. This topic will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Berkley Days Volunteer Opportunities

T. Losey informed the Committee there will be an opportunity for Board members to volunteer at this year's Berkley Day's event which will be held on September 12th, 2026. Volunteering qualifies the Board for proceed sharing from the event. T. Losey will track Board member's qualifying hours for this and other events for various purposes including potential grant applications, matching funds, etc. as previously discussed.

New Business

AI/Lidar Technology Use for Tree Canopy

The Board had a brief discussion on an article T. Losey distributed and the related technology and uses that the City of Midland has implemented in maintaining and improving their tree canopy. The Board continues to pursue efforts to improve its tree inventory process and hence the City's tree canopy.

DPW Update

A. Wozniak updated the Board on his interactions with Marine City (Berkley's street tree vendor) regarding the health of trees from the fall street tree planting.

He also mentioned that Code Enforcement issued a violation to a resident for street tree mismanagement.

In addition, he informed the Board that the trees on Bacon Street have been surrounded with fencing to protect them during the street construction project.

Council Liaison Update

D. Hennen informed the Board of the recent limitations imposed on e-bike use in the City.

Adjournment

Motion Maker: L. Fritsch
Second: E. Fogle
Motion: Approved

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Next meeting Monday, September 28th, 2026 7:00 pm.

Minutes prepared by S. Bard (Secretary) June 23, 2026.

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