

Cedar Cemetery Association  
Annual Meeting  
May 5, 2018

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The Cedar Cemetery Annual Meeting was called to order at 9:07am by Judy Herrala, President.

**Attendees:**

Larry Lundby, Cathy Lundby, John Guy, Tanya Guy, JoAnn Smith, Marlys Burman, Judy Herrala, Delores Yoraway

**Secretary's Report**

The Secretary's Report was distributed and read.

Judy Herrala asked if there were any changes or corrections.

There were no changes or corrections.

*John Guy made the motion to accept the minutes as read.*

*Cathy Lundby seconded the motion.*

*No discussion.*

*Secretary's Report was approved.*

**Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report was distributed and reviewed.

Tanya Guy expanded on each line item.

**Income:**

- Federal ID now in working order – new account with Wells Fargo open. 21<sup>st</sup> Century will close after activity has stopped.
- 7 accounts currently outstanding; 34 accounts pay annually; 5xl accounts pay annually; 31 accounts are Lifetime; 48 accounts on mailing list.
- 4 new accounts have been established – not included in counts above.
- Cash donations made by Jim Guy, David Swanson, Janice Rodd, James Hicks, Nancy Hodges, Gladys Gallagher and Sandra Pebley.
- In Kind donations made by Yoraways (website and pump); Larry Lundby (snow removal); Tim Smith (shrub and storm clean-up).
- Tim donated time on the Kayleen Josephson burial in April. Now annual fee account. Family could move to Phillipines.
- Lee income and expense will be in May 2018.

- No income on bank accounts. Discussion on CDs again at some point if funds for upgrades and maintenance were separated. CDS are somewhat liquid. Discussion on savings versus checking. No interest either way.

**Expenses:**

- Only new expense this year was fee for checks when opening new bank account.

*Larry Lundby made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report.*

*John Guy seconded the motion.*

*There was no further discussion.*

*Treasurer's Report was approved.*

**Old Business**

**Driveway Update** – because of the April blizzard – quote appointments on the driveway had to be cancelled. It was suggested that, if cost effective, we should make it slightly wider to allow for plowing – but we must be careful to take into account the headstones that are very close to the drive.

- **Judy Herrala has a neighbor that owns a blacktopping company. She will work with Larry Lundby to get quotes.**
- **Tanya Guy will do credit background checks on the companies we consider.**

*Larry Lundby made the motion to table the driveway improvement decision until further information is obtained.*

*Delores Yoraway seconded the motion.*

*No further discussion.*

*Driveway issue tabled until further information is obtained.*

**By-Law #8** – Judy Herrala asked to confirm the wording for #8 as she felt it affected By-Law #7.

After discussion, By-laws #7 and #8 will be combined; we will now have nine By-Laws. This change was approved at last year's meeting.

“All future lot sales will be for grave site and Lifetime maintenance fees combined.

All funds collected (gravesite sales, donations, etc.) are to be used for general care and maintenance of the cemetery unless designated otherwise.”

**Judy will update By-Laws with confirmed wording and distribute to the Trustees.**

- Website page is being developed with tips for upkeep of lots – i.e., descaling of headstones, place to purchase urns and holders, etc. Will include list of monument companies available to raise headstones or install cement borders. Braham monument is being used by several people.

- JoAnn Smith will ask Tim Smith about weed killer from County to control Creeping Charlie.
- Tanya reconnected with mortuaries, other avenues for sales include churches and monument companies.

## New Business

- Trustee Elections:
  - Jan Evans', Jarrod Guy's and Judy Herrala's Trustee terms are complete.
- Jan and Jarrod were not present, however, **Judy and Tanya would contact them for their consent to be re-elected.**
  - *Delores Yoraway re-nominated Jan, Jarrod and Judy as Trustees for another 3 years.*
  - *Larry Lundby seconded the nomination.*
  - *Jan, Jarrod and Judy were re-elected for Trustee term 2018 -2021. (consent received)*
- Memorial Day Service will be May 28<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 9:30am at the cemetery. Info put on website.
- Tentative cemetery clean-up date for **next** year is set at **April 27, 2019 at 9:00am**, subject to change depending upon the weather.
- Cleanup date for this year will be May 19, 2018.
- Marlys Burman asked about city hall phone number on cemetery gate. Were we getting calls? Larry said he had two calls regarding prices, Judy and Tanya each got a call and referred them to Larry. There were calls regarding Emmans for historical info and Gary Sterns for future purchase.
- John Guy asked if we were having issues getting Lifetime Fees. Larry said he encourages Lifetime fees but those that do not purchase it do sometimes move away. Discussion on promotion of sales. Tanya said she did reconnect with mortuaries. Concern we are still not connecting with new people.
- Larry Lundby suggested that Lifetime Fees be included in purchase price of lot at a total cost of \$700 per lot. Lifetime Fee is currently \$525, cost of a lot is currently \$450 – which would put total cost of lot at \$975. Discussion took place over amount of increase to lot fee and the fees charged by other cemeteries. It has become increasingly difficult to collect \$20 annual fees for maintenance. Raising our prices too high will make it difficult for many in our area to afford considering age and other demographics. Larry reported on nearby cemeteries.
  - **Patterson said their sales include Lifetime Maintenance at \$650.**
  - **Forest Hill includes maintenance in price – Residents \$700 lot cost; Non-residents are charged \$1200.**
  - **Rose Lawn charges: Interrment \$1595 and Single lot \$2400 – requires flat marker.**
  - **Constance Free Church charges \$700 per lot.**

If we changed to one \$700 fee, those grandfathered into the \$20 annual fee will continue to pay that fee yearly.

*Larry Lundby made the motion to increase the lot fee to \$700, which would include Lifetime Maintenance. Lifetime and Annual Fees would be dropped from the Cost Sheet.*

*Delores Yoraway seconded the motion.*

*No further discussion.*

*Vote on increasing lot fee to \$700 which would include Lifetime Fee in lot purchase was carried.*

**Next Annual Meeting set for May 4<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 9:00am**

**Cemetery clean-up date for next year will be April 27th, 2019 at 9:00am.**

*Motion made to adjourn by Larry Lundby.*

*Seconded by Cathy Lundby.*

*Motion carried.*

Meeting closed at 10:23am.