

Cedar Cemetery Association
Trustee Meeting
May 4, 2024

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Trustee meeting called to order 9:23 am by Tanya Guy, Treasurer

Attendees:

Marie McCallum (observer), Jarrod Guy, JoAnn Smith, Nathan Smith, Tim Smith (observer), Mary Malinak, Linda Rodgers, Tanya Guy, Juanita Reed-Boniface (observer), Delores Yoraway

Reports

The Secretary's Report was distributed.

Tanya Guy asked if there were any changes or corrections.

There were no changes or corrections.

JoAnn Smith made the motion to accept the minutes as presented.

Jarrod Guy seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Secretary's Report was approved.

The Treasurer's report was distributed during Annual Meeting

- Liability Insurance: State Farm insurance went up \$100 this year.
- Headstone damage has been resolved. We paid one half of replacement cost of headstone.
- Tim Smith will handle the mowing and grave opening again this year.

JoAnn Smith made the motion to accept the minutes as presented.

Mary Malinak seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Treasurer's Report was approved.

Old Business

- Tim Smith will handle the tree/branch situations that are feasible to take on. Cedar Cemetery will support those efforts with gas, etc. For larger projects, we should seek second and third estimates. Marie McCallum suggested hiring Carr's Tree Service. Several cities in our area hire them to do city tree jobs. Juanita suggested Strong & Sons. Andover Tree Service was suggested, as well. Tanya has done some research on this and found fall was best time to have tree work performed. It is expensive (can be over \$10,000) – costs can vary depending upon extent of the work they are instructed to complete. Further exploration will need to be done before hiring a company. Trustees should help Tim as necessary. Thank you to Linda Rodgers, who made donation for cemetery cleanup.

New Business

- Monument Lady: Marie McCallum of West Oak Grove Cemetery informed us that they are having the monument lady come in with a presentation on restoring headstones...raising monuments and cleaning granite.

We are invited to the presentation which takes place at 10:15. Tanya has a card and info for them, if anyone is interested.

- **Discussion on developing north side of cemetery for casket burials and reserving central part of cemetery for future cremation burials.** This is with regard to future sales and considered to avoid stone damage by heavy equipment. It was also suggested to sell lots sequentially, if possible, to prevent large empty gaps in the cemetery. North side is mapped but needs to be surveyed. Tim knows surveyor (Rud) who is an old friend of Larry's and was used in setting up the cemetery. *Tim and Jarrod will work with the surveyor.*

Tanya Guy asked if the Board was in agreement to the discussion above.

All members were in favor.

- **Tim will level the north side of cemetery.** Then costs will be researched regarding the survey.
- Tim did clean off existing survey stakes and painted them white.
- Brought up that cemetery map is hard to read. Block number is always in the lower left hand corner. Blocks and numbering would always remain the same, **but interest expressed in finding a more interactive map form.** *This could be limited by cost factor.* CAD system is on cemetery computer.
- Changes to map are being tracked until updates can be made.
- **Nathan will work to create a map that is color coded.**
- Cedar Cemetery is recorded at the Register of Deeds. Individual lots are not registered with Register of Deeds; deeds are issued and notarized, with original to purchaser and two copies filed in cemetery files.
- Linda suggested cemetery tours. We have many interesting people involved in the history and development of our area. There was considerable interest by attending members in this project. *Linda will look into what is involved in getting this started.*

Election of Officers

Officers on the board agreed to renew their terms of office during the Annual Meeting (see Annual Meeting minutes).

The following Board Officers were elected for the term 2023-2024

Judy Herrala – President
Jarrod Guy – Vice President
Tanya Guy – Treasurer
Delores Yoraway – Secretary
Nathan Smith – Sexton
JoAnn Smith - Trustee
Mary Malinak – Trustee
Linda Rodgers - Trustee

Memorial Day Service at Cedar Cemetery will be hosted by St. Francis American Legion Post and Auxiliary 622, and will be held Monday, May 27, 2024 with time TBD. This will be confirmed by Delores Yoraway. Updates will be emailed and posted on website.

Cemetery Cleanup for 2025: April 26, 2025 at 9:00 am.

NEXT ANNUAL MEETING AND TRUSTEE MEETING SET FOR MAY 3, 2025 AT 9:00 AM.

Motion Motion made to adjourn by Tanya Guy.

Meeting adjourned at 10:11 am.