

Minutes of Fortuna Cemetery District

3315 Newburg Road Fortuna, California 95540

Meeting held on Zoom Platform

Monday – July 20, 2020 @ 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman – Catherine Culver at 6:09 PM

Attendance:

Chairman- Catherine Culver and Trustee members- Darla McGrath, Mike McGrath, Kent Wrede and Hannes Becker. Also- Tony Eusted-Groundskeeper and Kathryn DeVere-Office Manager.

Community Comments:

Steve Soli was present for the meeting to let us know that he completed his Eagle Scout project which he earned his Eagle Scout Badge with the Boys Scout of America. He went over his project of a memorial place here at the cemetery, what he had done and cleaned with help from others within his troop, 88 Korean veterans' graves were marked at the Sunrise Cemetery. Chairman-Catherine Culver gave him a thank you from the cemetery for a job well done.

Consent Calendar:

Kent Wrede moved, Hannes Becker seconded to approve June 15th minutes as drafted Vote was unanimous. Kent Wrede moved, Hannes Becker seconded to accept the financial report. Vote was unanimous.

Correspondence: None

Items for Report, Discussion and Possible Action:

Our small truck with the dump bed was stolen and all the hydraulics and bed was taken. We need to find something right away as the little gator will not hold the dirt we need to remove on gravesites for full casket burials. Mike McGrath moved, Kent Wrede seconded to authorize Tony to look for another truck and get prices. When Tony locates a pickup with a dump bed, the Trustee will meet to approve the cost.

Regarding Capital Improvement projects —

Catherine Culver will call DCI for a quote for installing a concrete valley gutter before the Dryco applies the Slurry seal on the asphalt at Sunrise Cemetery

Trustees agreed to defer renewing the Edward Jones bond until some of the projects are paid. Kent Wrede moved, Mike McGrath seconded to leave it up to Tony regarding getting a power washer with the money that was donated by Faith Ellison. Vote was unanimous.

The three small projects to be completed regarding removing cobwebs from the office building, painting the door and paint numbers on the curbs on the East side of the Center Section were given to the groundskeeper.

Mike McGrath and Kent Wrede will check into placing more security cameras at the Sunrise Cemetery.

We do have water in the old section but it is shut off. If left open pipes could burst underground which could raise up caskets and other problems. Hannes got a quote regarding on site signage for \$148.00 for a big sign to be put on the office building at Sunrise

Tony reported on the burial site for Mr. Lewis by the niche, went over the entire area of the Lewis's with a metal detector and the plot showed filled with burials. A burial site cannot be disturbed for 100 years. Hal from Christy Vault Company quoted for the same niche like we have would cost between \$25,000/\$26,000 plus the slab that it would set on. We could put a wall niche by flag pole next to Don Brown bench or by the back fence.

Trustee Reports:

Darla McGrath had a question about the pump house. Mike McGrath, Hannes Becker and Catherine Culver had nothing to report. Kent Wrede reminded the board that a new budget is needed for the coming year.

Groundskeeper Report.

We had 34 burials for 2020 (18 full burials and 16 cremations) compared to 2019 we had 46 burials (13 full burials and 33 cremations). Only other thing to report, I order a load of concrete from Eureka Ready Mix for headstones.

The date of our next Trustee meeting will be August 17, 2020.

Adjourn at 7:00 PM

Kathryn DeVere, office manager

