

MOUNTAIN VIEW CEMETERY BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, June 10, 2014

2:00 PM

Member Present: Bob Rakos, Arnie Galli, Jeanne Coffey, Warren Olson and Judi Roland

Staff present: Craig Hudson and Angie Sherwin

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by Warren Olson.

Review of April 2014 Minutes: April 2014 minutes were moved for approval.

Old Business:

Easter Service - Messiah Lutheran Church provided the 6:30 am non-denominational Easter Service. The cemetery provided donuts, coffee and water. Approximately 175 people attended.

Memorial Day Service – Mayor Nancy Backus attended. The event went well and the grounds look good.

New Cemetery Road Signs - They have been installed and the poles painted.

Tom Hikida - A long time Memorial Day volunteer attended. He is doing well. Stories shared about him and his business in Auburn. He currently lives in assisted living along with his German Sheppard.

New Business:

Irrigation – Revisiting the possibility of doing a well. Daryl is working with Kevin Snyder. Grounds staff have installed more water efficient heads which are helping with coverage. Also adding sensors with timers; currently have 5 timers that cost approximately \$120 each.

Generator – (not on agenda) The cemetery only has a small generator and kerosene heaters. The cemetery is an evacuation location, but never received a built in generator due to the economy downfall in 2008. Park & Rec, M &O, City Hall and possibly the Annex all have built in generators.

Flower Vases – This year families are encouraged to purchase new vases for \$20 if the where needing to be replaced. Due to the elements and equipment, wear and tear can make them difficult to remove. Also inventory of the vase are being tracked.

Concrete Marker Collars – Around the markers are older concrete collars that are failing. We do not use concrete any longer and are only install granite collars unless specifically requested by family to match another. The cost to redo a 4 inch boarder is \$175 around a granite marker.

Marker Clean Up Day – (not on agenda) The Saturday before Mother's Day, our staff is available to assist families trim and clean up the area around the marker. Consideration for other opportunities using volunteer/community service groups or combing with Clean Sweep Day.

Pioneer Cemetery – (not on agenda) is now at capacity. Records for gravesites are not very accurate due to when the cemetery was created.

Two Year Budget 2015/2016 - Not a lot of changes. By the end of 2016, the completion of Memory Heights, a 450 grave expansion above Memory Meadows. Estimated cost is \$20k.

The markers markups where increased from 2% to 2.5% which is within the industry standard.

Reports:

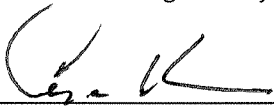
Revenue – includes tax and endowed care

- April \$56K
- May 121K

2015-2016 Budge will be completed in September. Operating budget is close to 1 million.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:01 pm by Warren Olson.

Approved



Date

8-11-14

Craig Hudson, Cemetery Manager