Elkton Cemetery Commission Meeting Jan 19, 2017

Present: Lester Seal, Chuck Morris, Bill Davis

Excused: Betty McGahey, Cathy Morrison, Millard Lee Dearing, Karen Jones

Administrative Charlotte Shifflett, Mary Shifflett

Devotions: Charlotte read devotions. She choose Chronicles II, Chapter 17, verses 14-16. The reading was followed by prayer.

Pledge of Allegiance: All in attendance joined in reciting the pledge.

Lester Seal/Chairman called the meeting to order @ 6:00 pm. He stated the old By-Laws call for 3 members for a quorum while the proposed By-Laws call for 4 members to be presence for a quorum. We are still operating under the old By-Laws.

I. Meeting Minutes

Bill Davis made a motion to accept the October 20, 2016 meeting minutes, seconded by Chuck Morris.

Vote = 3-0
Bill Davis, Chuck Morris, Lester Seal/Chairman
Motion Carried

II New Business

- Wayne and Sara Davis (recently buried) was the topic of conversation.
- Sara is buried very close to the curb of the road and a cone was placed to avoid traffic from running over the burial plot.
- The road needs to be redesigned to correct this condition.
- Charlotte will speak with Troy and see if it's possible to straighten the curb. Herschel Meadows is buried beside Sara Davis, and Bill Davis pointed out the decorated WW II hero had a rut surrounding his grave. The veteran's stone was run over but not damaged.
- Charlotte advised members a W/O has been submitted to repair the damage. Bill wondered aloud if the grave diggers or the vault company was responsible for damage. It is Bill's personal opinion no one should have been on the Meadows grave.
- The Davis and Meadows family will be advised the repair has been done and is complete.

III Flower Arrangements

- A recent wind storm occurred in the area. A member noted he saw lots of flowers blown into the fence. No one has been by the office to complain yet.

IV Rest Rooms/Foyer

- Please do not allow this subject to die.
- Provide as much free help as possible Be sure whatever is constructed blends in with surrounding scenery.
- Follow design of the Merck Shelter bathrooms.
- Lester Seal will approach Will Smith and speak to him about designing the building.

- Designate an area for actual construction.
- It should sit in a central location.

Old Business:

Bobby/Linda Eppard property

- The cement steps located on North St. need to be removed.
- The fence row needs to be cleaned between the Eppard' s and cemetery property.
- Chuck Morris and Lester Seal will make plans to assist with the cleaning of the property.
- In a prior conversation, Mrs. Eppard noted she would contribute to possibly ½ of the costs.
- Once the property is cleared place the street sign at the new entrance. "Veterans Dr."

Mowers

It is nearly time to place an ad for mowers. Does anyone have a suggestion of someone who may be interested?

Vacant Spaces

Members of the Commission would like to see the first (2) quads filled up before offering spaces in other quads located in Section 12.

Charlotte has sold many spaces in other quads, with the permission of the past Town Manager, who agreed that buyers should have an option where they want to rest permanently. Decision was based on sentimental ties to deceased family members.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting date is scheduled for April 20, 2017 @ 6:00 pm in, the Council Chambers, Elkton Area Community Center located on 20593 Blue/Gold Dr.in Elkton, VA

Lester O Seal
Chairperson

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~~Secretary~~ Vice Chair