Elkton Cemetery Advisory Commission Meeting November 21, 2019

Present: Lee Dearing, Bill Davis, Mark Hensley, David Smith

Steve America: 6:30 pm

Guest: Wayne Printz: 6:30 pm

Administrative: Delores Hammer – Cemetery Director

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

Devotion: Moment of silence observed by all

Meeting Minutes

Bill Davis made a motion to accept the October 17, 2019 minutes

David Smith seconded the motion

Voice Vote 4-0

Lee Dearing, Bill Davis, David Smith, Mark Hensley

Motion Carried

I. **"Dollar Grave Section"**

The Cemetery Director received a call from a person asking about the "Dollar Grave Section". The gentleman has a family member in the section and would like to place a stone with the individual's name. After discussion it was decided that the person could place the same size stone as the unknown stones that are currently placed and have the family members name engraved. The Cemetery Director will work with the person to determine the proper location.

II. **Columbarium**

The proposed Columbarium was discussed. The Cemetery Director will contact Doug Pence with Hartman and request a turnkey quote.

Mark Hensley made a motion to move forward with the Columbarium proposal

David Smith seconded the motion

Voice Vote 4-0

Lee Dearing, Bill Davis, David Smith, Mark Hensley

Motion Carried

III. Mowing

The Cemetery Director provided a quote from GroundServ for the 2020 mowing season. The quote is $31,875 For 30 mowing's per season and biweekly weedeating. This is $375 more than the 2019 quote. It was stated by all Commissioners that GroundServ did a good job with the mowing and weed eating for the 2019 season.

Mark Hensley made a motion to accept GroundServ's quote for the 2020 mowing season
Bill Davis seconded the motion

Voice Vote 4-0

Lee Dearing, Bill Davis, David Smith, Mark Hensley

Motion Carried

IV. Vacancies on the Commission

Chairperson Lee Dearing spoke to the Commission regarding the vacant seats on the Advisory Board. It was decided by all that the Advisory Board would not advertise to fill vacant seats at this time. The Advisory Board has been through a lot of changes and would like to establish itself and move forward with the Commissioners it currently has.

V. Schedule 2020 meeting dates

The Advisory Board will continue to meet the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm.

VI. Bathroom and Vestibule

The bathroom and vestibule area was discussed. The Cemetery Director will provide each Commissioner with a copy of the layout prepared by Gaither Hurt with Public Works. A location needs to be determined. It was decided to proceed with the bathroom and vestibule area. This will be discussed in more depth on December 19, 2019.

Wayne Printz and Steve America entered the meeting at 6:30 pm. Mr. Printz asked about the vacancies on the Advisory Board. Chairperson Dearing informed Mr. Printz that the Commissioners had already discussed this topic and had decided not to advertise for vacant seats at this time.

Mr. Printz asked why this decision was made. Chairperson Dearing said that the Commissioners are happy with the current commission and would like to get settled before adding any new members.

Bill Davis made a motion to proceed with the bathroom/vestibule area
Mark Hensley seconded the motion

Voice Vote 5-0

Lee Dearing, Bill Davis, David Smith, Mark Hensley, Steve America

Mark Hensley made a motion to adjourn
Steve America seconded the motion

Motion Carries meeting adjourned.

Next meeting will be December 19, 2019 @ 6 pm in Council Chambers.

Lee Dearing Chairperson

Bill Davis Vice Chairperson