

March 7, 2022

A meeting of the Seward Cemetery Board was held March 7, 2022 at 5:04 p.m. at the Seward North Cemetery Office, Seward, Nebraska. Board members present were: Greg Zabka, Claudia Horton, Rick Endicott, Pat Payne, Roger Glawatz and Jeff Volzke. Others in attendance were Bob Core, Public Properties Director, John Brandl Cemetery representative and Sid Kamprath City Council representative.

Notice and agenda were posted in the following places: City Hall, County Courthouse, Seward Public Library and Seward Civic Center. All proceedings thereafter were taken at the meeting.

#### NOTIFICATION OF OPEN MEETINGS LAW

1. DISCUSS CEMETERY GUTHMAN TOWER- John Brandl advised they had gotten bids from a place in Ogallala for painting and it was \$9,000.00. The other bid is still coming from Lindner Painting.

We also discussed removing 3 gates at Greenwood Cemetery. VOLZKE made a motion to remove 3 gates and leave the main one. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Zabka. Discussion. Voting Aye were: ZABKA, HORTON, PAYNE, GLAWATZ, ENDICOTT AND VOLZKE. NO NAYS. Motion carried.

2. CEMETERY RULES REVISION AND POLICY REGARDING FAMILY USE OF EXISTING SPACES. - Discussed reference Naomi Luebbe and Jon Kruse. Motion by Volzke for Greg Butcher to talk to City Attorney and come up with form that is NOT a quit claim deed. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Glawatz. Voting Aye were Zabka, Horton, Payne, Glawatz, Endicott and Volzke. No Nays. Motion Carried

3. ANDERSON CEMETERY DISCUSSION ON PROPERTY ACQUISITION. Have 93 spaces available and using only couple in year. Motion by Zabka that we pass on buying any property at Anderson Cemetery. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Glawatz. Voting Aye were Zabka, Horton, Payne, Glawatz, Endicott and Volzke. No Nays. Motion Carried

4. DISCUSS 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET TRAFFIC. Brandl advised 63 cars daily through 4<sup>th</sup> street. Prior meeting without quorum discussed leaving gate open and discuss in 3 years. Butcher said plan for development on north side of Waverly Road. Glawatz wants to close north 4<sup>th</sup> street gate. Is NOT a through street. Brandl talked about leaving it open. Policies can be changed. Eight years ago approved by Cemetery Board and City Council to have gate closed.

Since that was 8 years ago and was approved previously, gate will be closed. Stop Sign needs to be removed and replaced at better angle.

Glawatz left meeting.

5. DISCUSS FOLLOWING FOR SEWARD CEMETERY.

- A. FOUNDATIONS IN OLDER SECTIONS Committee consisting of Volzke, Zabka and Endicott will review rules and regulations. Motion by Volzke for special meeting to be announced to address old regulations 1 through 15 on all copies of Rules and Regulations. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Payne. Voting Aye were Zabka, Horton, Payne, Endicott and Volzke. Absent and Not Voting Glawatz. Motion Carried.
  - B. DISCUSS VAULTS FOR BIODEGRADABLE CREMATIONS. Plastic and Wooden boxes for example. Tabled
  - C. FENCE DAMAGE ON HIGHWAY 15 BY ENTRANCE. Going to repair but will have to be built from scratch.
  - D. REPLACING WOODEN SIGNS POSTS WITH METAL. Cemetery Employees recommended metal posts with solar light on top to replace wooden posts. Motion by Endicott, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Payne to have Cemetery Employees do this. Voting Aye Zabka, Horton, Payne, Endicott and Volzke. Absent and Not Voting Glawatz. Motion Carried
  - E. TOWER PAINTING ESTIMATE. Covered Earlier.
  - F. NEW PROGRAM PROGRESS. Brandl stated were entering every grave in computer.
6. CONSENT ITEMS.
- A. Minutes September 13, 2021 Motion by Endicott to approve minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Zabka. Voting Aye Zabka, Horton, Payne, Endicott and Volzke. Voting Nay None. Absent and Not Voting Glawatz. Motion Carried
7. Schedule Next meeting. June 6, 2022 5PM
- Motion by Zabka to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Volzke, voting Aye Zabka, Horton, Payne, Endicott and Volzke. Absent and not voting Glawatz, Motion Carried Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia Horton  
Secretary