

## SEWARD, NE CEMETERY BOARD MINUTES

June 17, 2024

A meeting of the Seward Cemetery Board was held June 17, 2024 at 5:12 PM at the Seward North Cemetery Office, Seward, Nebraska. Board members present were: Clark Koehler, Jeff Volzke, Ben Hughes, Jerry Meyer, Brad Perdue and Lynn Brumm. Others in attendance were Chris Nunn, Bob Core and Jessica Kolterman.

The minutes from the previous meeting on March 24, 2024 were reviewed. A motion by Jerry Meyer was made and seconded by Ben Hughes to accept the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

### 1. PERPETUAL CARE FOR A CEMETERY SPACE PURCHASE.

A discussion was made concerning what actually is covered under Perpetual Care for a Cemetery space. It was noted that several old markers are in need of leveling as they have settled over the years. It was agreed that something needs to be done with this issue. Jessica Kolterman said she would check with the City to insure there were no liability issues with this. The sexton can relevel if the family is not able to be reached.

### 2. UNCLAIMED CREMAINS BURIED IN POTTERS FIELD AT NO COST

It was reported that there have been some instances when no one claims cremains and what should be done with them. Some cities allow unclaimed cremains to be buried in a certain area of a cemetery at no cost. After a discussion, Jessica Kolterman said she would check with the city to see if this could be accomplished.

### 3. MAINTENANCE AROUND SPACES IN 6<sup>TH</sup> ADDITION

A discussion took place regarding maintenance around the Kramer Memorial area. Various ideas and suggestions were discussed as to improve communication so that all parties are satisfied with the condition of this area in the future.

### 4. CHANGING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SEWARD CEMETERY 4<sup>TH</sup> ADDITION

It was reported that several individuals have requested to purchase spaces in the area of Lots 18 & 19. This would require a change from a military section designation to a public purchase area. After a discussion, it was decided to table this decision until the next meeting. Jessica Kolterman said she would pursue this with the city to see if this is feasible.

### 5. CONSENT ITEMS

Jeff Volzke reported that the new correct granite foundations for the Veterans area should be here soon. The first ones arrived but they were the wrong color. There was also a discussion concerning changes in the by-laws to allow foot markers for Veterans in all areas of the cemetery. This decision will require further input and investigation so it was tabled until the next meeting.

### 6. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING (September 9, 2024 at 5:00pm)

Motion by Jerry Meyer to adjourn, second by Ben Hughes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Clark Koehler  
Acting Secretary