

Cemetery Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 14, 2006

1. Attendees: Belinda Labourdette, Roland Hofemann, Grover Tasker, Bill Knowles, Otis Perry and Paul Chalue. Bob Whiting and Nancy Gagne were excused.
2. Meeting began at 7:04 p.m.
3. Motion to accept November meeting minutes made by Mr. Hofemann and seconded by Mr. Knowles. Motion accepted.
4. Members identified the following topics to be included in the annual report to the City Manager: Graves sold, burials; identify cemeteries maintained; use of inmate program; summary of the cemetery budget; tree conditions; storm damage; major repairs; vandalism; citizen use of Pine Hill for walking.
5. Motion to accept the Superintendent's report made by Mrs. Labourdette and seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion accepted.
6. Motion to accept Coordinator's report made by Mr. Perry and seconded by Mr. Knowles. Motion accepted.
7. The Board expressed a preference for brown signage for road signs in the cemetery.
8. Mr. Perry recommended that Paul contact the Elks about the monument they removed for repairs to see if they still plan to return it to the cemetery.
9. Mr. Perry inquired if the cemetery has a policy for handling graveside United States flags as he has found a number lying on the ground. Mr. Chalue will ask the crew to keep an eye out for flags on the ground so that they can either be righted or disposed of properly.
10. Mr. Chalue is still looking into how to light the flag at the Veterans circle. He is considering a light on the opposite pole.
11. Discussions regarding the burial of ashes on an existing grave tabled until Mrs. Gagne can be present.
12. Mr. Perry and Mr. Chalue reported that people walking their dogs is a minimal problem at the moment. Mr. Chalue will check to be sure that there are signs stating this restriction at all the entrances.
13. The Board would like to discuss cemetery pricing at the April meeting.
14. Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Knowles and seconded by Mr. Tasker.
15. Meeting adjourned 7:45 pm.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Belinda Labourdette.