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Fremont Cemetery Trustee
Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Matthew Thomas at 4:05pm in the basement meeting room of the Fremont Town Hall. Present were: Cemetery Trustees: Matthew Thomas, Jeanne Nygren and Michael Nygren, Cemetery Sexton: Shawn Perreault, Superintendent: Bruce White and Town Administrator, Heidi Carlson.

Mr. Thomas made a motion to approve the May 14, 2019 meeting minutes with no changes needed. Mr. Nygren seconded the motion. Motion was passed.

Superintendent Report – Memorial Day went very well and looked great. Having two people to help was great and Brian worked really hard. Jackson Rowell was not available to help this year. The well at Village was hit by a car, which caused it to slowly leak and the well pump to finally fail. It was repaired. Mrs. Carlson stated that Mrs. Nygren and she noticed a spike in the electric bill bringing the problem to light. She will be paying the bill for the well repair, which was \$1,200. Poison Ivy has become a problem at Leavitt, which was all over one of the walls. He also found some on the outside “fence” line of Village. He has treated the areas starting with a mild product and will continue to monitor the situation. If the need arises, he will go to a harder product. He is going to double check South Road, as well. The tree on South Road was looked at by Leon Holmes, Jr to give Heidi a rough idea of cost. He feels to remove the tree would be thousands of dollars. Everyone feels the tree should be left for now and dealt with when it finally falls. It would require a crane as it stands right now. Once suggestion was to fill it with cement to slow the rot.

Part-Time Help – Mrs. Carlson informed the Trustees that Brian handed in his resignation letter to her. He stated that the work was just too much for him at this time. Mrs. Carlson has posted the position on the website again. The hours we offer will depend on the person that applies for the position. Mr. White stated he is here for the season and will continue to care for the cemeteries. There are also some projects he would like to do before he leaves. Mr. White has no problem with the travel and is just making the days he comes down longer to make the drive worth it. Mr. White stated that usually by July the grass slows in growing and he should be fine. He still has Lloyd helping him out. Mr. Thomas stated it might be time, at the end of the season, to look into hiring a landscaping company.

P.O.D. – The Trustees reviewed all the options and Mrs. Nygren stated that Lowes offers a military discount that she can get, which would bring the cost of a vinyl shed down. Mr. Thomas recommended revisiting this next year. Mr. Nygren seconded and all agreed to wait.

Projects – Mr. White will continue to mow for the season and work on some small projects he has at the cemeteries. The Leavitt Wall Removing project is complete and The Replacement of the Village Well Pump is completed. The Trustees would like to focus on clearing the remaining new section of Leavitt Cemetery, Inspect the wall on the right side of Leavitt to see if repairs are needed and then look into Repairing/Restoring the old or broken stones. Mrs. Nygren wondered if the lilac tree that is against the



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right wall needed to be removed. Mr. Nygren and Mr. White didn't think that would be needed. Mr. White stated he prunes it back every year and enough to get the mower underneath it. Mrs. Nygren suggested we place bars around the Village Well to avoid cars hitting it in the future. Mr. White agreed it would be a great idea and is going to follow up with the road agent. Mr. White felt the road agent would have some materials that would work. If not, Mr. White is going to look into options and follow up with the Trustees.

Clearing Remaining Portion of Leavitt Cemetery – Mr. Thomas asked Mrs. Perreault to look into this. Mrs. Perreault stated that Mr. White is the person that would handle that and will support him with what he needs. Mr. White agreed to look into it and work with Mrs. Carlson on developing an R.F.P. to be sent out. Mr. Thomas asked Mr. White what the mow schedule was. Mr. White stated once a week, but the hardest part is the weed whacker. Mr. White is doing what he can with the part time hours.

Landscaper – The trustees wonder if it is time to look into obtaining an RFP to have a landscape company do the cemetery mowing after this season.

Electric Hook Up – The trustees wondered what the cost would be to have the electric hooked up after the rest of Leavitt is cleared and a shed of some kind is put on the property.

West – Mr. Thomas stated that Mr. West is still working with his family to figure out what they would like to do. He will continue to follow up.

Funds – Mrs. Nygren wondered if we would be allowed to encumber any funds not spend in this year's budget for a specific project, if we cannot get things rolling this year.

Next meeting was scheduled for July 9th at 4:00pm.

Motion made by Mr. Thomas to adjourn the meeting, second by Mr. Nygren. Meeting was adjourned at 4:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shawn Perreault
Cemetery Sexton