

CEMETERY COMMISSION MINUTES
Wednesday, June 15, 2022
Conference Room C, Lake Geneva City Hall

Meeting was called to order by President Mary Sibbing at 7:02 pm..

Roll Call

Present: Mary Sibbing, Ruth Monico, Patrick Quinn, Terry Krohn, Alderman Fesenmaier. Guests: Chris Brookes.

Comments from the Public limited to 5 minutes, limited to items on the agenda: None

Approve Cemetery Commission Minutes, May 18, 2022 meeting. Motion made by Patrick Quinn and seconded by Terry Krohn. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion on inviting staff/Tom Earle to attend a Commission meeting to address some of our concerns. Mary will discuss with Tom and set a date for a meeting. Motion made by Terry Krohn to invite staff/Tom to a future meeting. Seconded by Patrick Quinn. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion regarding additional information be added at the bottom of the informational sign at Oak Hill Cemetery. Mary reported that a phone number has been added to the bottom of the informational signage.

Discussion on repairs needed for the Oak Hill bathroom and removing the porta potty. Tom Earle has sent a packet regarding the costs involved. Motion made by Patrick Quinn to postpone discussion until the next meeting. Seconded by Terry Krohn. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion joining Wisconsin Cemetery Association. A quarterly newsletter is sent to members. An annual conference will be held September 7, 8, 9, 2022 in Green Bay. More discussion to follow regarding the Wisconsin Alliance of Cemeteries. Mary to discuss with Dave Nord and will also check how many new burials there are in the cemeteries which is used to determine membership fees. Motion made by Patrick Quinn to join the Wisconsin Alliance of Cemeteries. Seconded by Terry Krohn. Motion passed 5-0.

Discussion on joining the Genealogical Society. We only need to provide the name of our Sexton for our cemeteries. Mary passed out some information about other cemeteries. Motion made by Patrick Quinn to submit the name of our Sexton to the Genealogical Society. Seconded by Terry Krohn. Motion passed 5-0.

Discussion on where to place the Oak Tree in honor of Jim Davis, Geneva Lake Museum. Tom Earle and Sexton, Clint Malacon (SP?), and John Foster, Arborist, to pick a tree and a location for the tree. Motion made by Patrick Quinn to continue discussion at our next meeting. Seconded by Ruth Monico. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion regarding placement of Oak Hill State Register of Historic Place sign. The Lake Geneva Historical Commission had the item on their agenda this month. Ken Etton noted a location has been found,

and Patrick Quinn stated he also has been working with them. Mary to follow up with the LG Historical Commission.

Update on Pontem Online Search Services. Contract has been renewed and work will begin again. Mary Jo made a motion to arrange a presentation/update Pontem for our next meeting, without additional costs involved. Seconded by Patrick Quinn. Motion passed 5-0.

Review Financials, January to May, 2022. Motion made by Ruth Monico to postpone discussion until Mary can meet with the new Comptroller (July) and has had time to look over the finances. Seconded by Terry Krohn. Motion carried 5-0.

Future meeting agenda items and next meeting date – Wednesday, July 20, 2022.

Mary is interested in having flowers placed at the entrance of Pioneer Cemetery. Mary had a discussion with Emily Hummel, President of the Maple Park Association, about planting flowers, but Mary wasn't sure how they would be watered. Mary will talk with John Foster, Arborist, to see if his employees may be able to water them at the same time they are watering some of the trees in that area. Discussion to continue next meeting.

Revisit discussion regarding commission vs board at the next meeting..

Next meeting will be Wednesday, July 20, 2022, 7:00 pm, Lake Geneva City Hall, Conference Room C.

Motion by Patrick Quinn to adjourn and seconded by Terry Krohn. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Monico, Secretary