

Cemetery Committee

Meeting Minutes

Conway Township, Michigan

February 23, 2016

1. Meeting called to order at 7:36 pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call conducted by Kim Jolliff, Secretary
 - a. Attendees: Barb Thumond, Deb Grubb, Kim Jolliff, Cindy Dickerson, Nancy Glover, Dennis Graham
 - b. Absent: Nickie Tomlin
4. Cindy Dickerson motioned to approve agenda, Deb Grubb moved and supported. Approved by all.
5. Cindy Dickerson motioned to approve January 2016 Meeting Minutes, Deb Grubb moved and supported. Approved by all.
6. Update on administration fees:
 - a. Cindy Dickerson will present \$50 administration fee and increase to winter burial rates to the Township Board, to be discussed at next meeting.
 - b. Township Board needs to approve rate increases.
 - c. Have not hear back from lawyer, Abby Cooper, regarding Cemetery Ordinance status.
 - d. Township Board will have to vote to approve changes.
7. Adopt a Stone Fundraiser:
 - a. There is \$1300 to spend on Benjamin Cemetery stone repairs.
 - b. Idea to have a list of names and stones available for adoption placed in the hall.
 - c. Barb Thumond provided an idea to create a stone goal(s) to achieve and once that is achieved present a certificate to the adopters.
 - d. Cindy Dickerson will send out an updated Benjamin listing with a pricing column.
 - e. Deb Grubb and Nancy Glover have been working on refining the list. This process will continue into the spring.
8. Antrim Update:
 - a. Cindy Dickerson met with the monument company for a laser plat and picture taking of the stones.
 - b. Matching of the stones and the names is the next task to accomplish.
 - c. The company will provide a numbered spreadsheet with all the pictures they took and will have there will be a couple more meetings to get information finalized.
 - d. Priority is the need for more volunteers.
 - e. Ideas to get the need for volunteers:
 - i. 4-H Groups. Cindy Dickerson will reach out to 4-H Office and Leaders in April
 - ii. Announcements at Antrim Church Services. Barb Thumond will contact the pastor.

- iii. High School Announcements for volunteer credits for scholarships. Kim Jolliff will contact high school secretary in charge of announcements and the Athletic Director.
 - iv. Cindy Dickerson will talk to Nickie Tomlin about creating a poster for display on wall at Primary Election Day, March 8th.
 - v. Create a flyer at township office counter highlighting volunteer opportunities to history enthusiasts and gardeners in the area.
9. Other Business:
- a. Cindy Dickerson will be at the township hall office on Saturday, March 5th until 2pm if anyone wants to work.
 - b. Discussion about eliminating trash cans at the cemeteries because they get filled up and it is difficult to haul away the trash because the township hall no longer has a dumpster. Dennis Graham states he will take care of emptying the trash bins going forward.
 - c. Monthly checks of cemeteries by committee members to confirm no vandalism listed below:
 - i. Kim Jolliff – Klein Cemetery
 - ii. Deb Grubb – Antrim Cemetery
 - iii. Nancy Glover – Miller Cemetery
 - iv. Cindy Dickerson – Benjamin Cemetery
 - v. Barb Thumond – Coughran Cemetery
10. Call to the Public – no one in attendance
11. Confirm next meeting – March 22nd, 2016 at 7:30 pm
12. Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 pm, Barb Thurmon motions, Deb Grubb moves and support, approved by all.

Meeting minutes prepared by Kim Jolliff, Secretary