

**OAK GROVE CEMETERY
VILLAGE OF WEBSTER
June 19, 2014 Minutes**

The Oak Grove Cemetery Board Meeting was held on Thursday, June 19, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Village of Webster Office for the purpose of the Bi-Yearly Regular Meeting.

Present were: Village President, Jeff Roberts; and Members; Jack Swedberg; Mark Foote; Jim Olson; Billy Janssen; Paula Smith and Secretary-Treasurer, Patrice Bjorklund.

Others present were: Judy Foote

Absent were: None

The board looked over the agenda order and there were no changes.

Minutes from the February 19, 2014 Board Meeting were read. Village President, Roberts noted that there was an error in Other Business section of the minutes. Judy Foote called and stated her husband Mark Foote would not be in attendance. Mark Foote was not listed by name and that portion of the minutes will be changed. Motion to approve was made by Member, Swedberg with that change; seconded by Member, Foote. Motion carried 6-0.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report was read. Village President, Roberts noted in the Receivables portion of the June 2014 Treasurer's Report one set of lots and perpetual care was higher. Secretary-Treasurer, Bjorklund noted that those individuals were charged non-resident fees which are higher than resident fees. Member, Swedberg stated that non-resident fees are imposed on individuals who do not live in the area, because they pay fewer taxes than residents do. Member, Janssen thought that in the future it would be good to identify resident vs. non-resident fees on the Treasurer's Report. Secretary-Treasurer, Bjorklund will make a point to do this in the future. Motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report by Member, Olson; seconded by Member, Smith. Motion carried 6-0.

Subject: Gravel and Dirt Work requested by Public Works Director, Jay Heyer. Public Works Director, Heyer had asked Secretary-Treasurer, Bjorklund to convey his desire to purchase gravel and dirt to upgrade areas that need fill such as driveways and grass areas in the cemetery. The board noted that this is maintenance and Public Works can do this work as needed.

Subject: Cemetery Drainage. Member, Swedberg stated that there are some major drainage issues in a few areas in the cemetery. Most notably is the area of Lot N, Section 18. He would like to see the cemetery committee allow him, with the help of Public Works Director, Jay Heyer contact either Northwestern WI Electric Company or Polk Burnett Company to come with their auger truck to drill between 6 – 8 holes (or what is needed) to remove the clay and fill with gravel, cover with landscape mesh and sod to alleviate the problem. The company that comes in with a more reasonable price to do the auguring will be considered. Member, Foote also noted that the other area to look at of concern to him is Lot Q, Section 17. Member, Swedberg would like the board's permission to do this at the cemetery. Member, Olson made the motion to have Member, Swedberg proceed with Public Works Director, Heyer's help to not exceed \$1,000 to do the project. If the project goes over the proposed amount, a phone call will need to be made between members to discuss possibly amending the amount and proceeding. Motion seconded by Member, Foote. Motion carried 6-0.

Subject: Tree removal discussion took place. Secretary-Treasurer, Bjorklund stated she received a phone call from Denise Magnuson whose in-laws are buried in Lot K, Section 11 of the cemetery. She stated the Arbor Vitae trees are becoming a problem with their overgrowth and limbs making a mess there. There is mold and moss from the overgrowth as well. Ms. Magnuson questioned if the cemetery would take care of the trees being removed or trimmed back. She would like the boards help with seeing to it that the trees are taken care of. Also, Member, Smith presented pictures of some old oak trees in the area that are unsightly as well. The board agreed that the Arbor Vitae trees do grow substantially and they do create a mess. The roots tend to push gravestones Member, Foote noted. The oaks in the picture that Member, Smith also presented; need to be trimmed as well Member, Swedberg noted. He felt that T & P Tree Service has done a stellar job in the past for the cemetery and was very reasonable. He knew that Jack Moser, owner of the service would treat the cemetery fairly. Member, Swedberg will look over the trees and asked Secretary-Treasurer, Bjorklund to mention this to Public Works Director, Heyer. Motion was made by Member, Foote to have any of the work that needs to be done for clean-up of those trees, be done by T & P Tree Service. The work will be done after Member, Swedberg and Public Works Director, Heyer have looked over the trees together. Motion seconded by Member, Smith. Motion carried 6-0.

Future Meeting Date: Thursday, February 19, 2015 @ 6:00 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Member, Olson; seconded by Member, Smith at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted

Patrice Bjorklund

Oak Grove Cemetery
Secretary-Treasurer, Patrice Bjorklund
June 20, 2014