

MURPHYS CEMETERY DISTRICT

Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of December 18, 2013

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Alan Armstrong at 7:05 PM at the historic Murphys School at 65 Jones Street, Murphys, CA. Present were Trustees Alan Armstrong, Maureen Elliott; Jeff St. Louis and caretaker Robert Yeadon. Trustees Kelly Wright and Louise Carniglia were absent.

QUORUM: A quorum of three board members was present when the meeting was called to order.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Elliott moved to accept the Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by St. Louis and passed 3/0.

MINUTES: Elliott moved to accept the Minutes of November 20, 2013 as presented. St. Louis seconded the motion. The motion passed 3/0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. CAPC annual survey and invoice were presented. Elliott to complete the survey and take care of getting the annual dues paid.
2. Discussion was held on email correspondence from Supervising Board Clerk of Calaveras Co. concerning the residency of board member Kelly Wright. Armstrong reported he has spoken to Wright, who first requested a 60 month leave of absence and then indicated he would not attempt to be reappointed to the board.
3. Discussion was held on a request to have a "green burial". Cemetery policy requires a minimum of a pine casket and that a permanent grave marker be installed within a year of the burial, so those requirements will need to be met on all burials.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. County Ordinance Introduction: Elliott moved to adopt Murphys Cemetery Ordinance 2014-01 and to have it published in the Calaveras Enterprise within 15 days. St. Louis seconded the motion and the motion passed 3/0.
2. Armstrong brought a map but it was of the survey of the old section of the cemetery, not of the new section. He will find the survey map of the new area and bring copies of that map to the next board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business to discuss

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

1. Plot Sales: No cemetery plots were sold in November.
2. Invoices: Invoices to reimburse Al Armstrong \$17.38 for printing maps of the cemetery; CAPC \$60 for annual dues; Robert Yeadon \$26.25 reimbursement for purchases were presented and approved by the board for payment.
3. YTD October 31, 2013 financial report from the County Auditor was presented.

CARETAKER REPORT: Yeadon told the board that all the wood from the tree removal was gone and that a neighboring property owner (C. Trade) took the large sections. Discussion was held on the possibility of a water pipe leaking under the road. Since the water is off for the winter, this will be addressed in the Spring when the water is back on.

TRUSTEE REPORTS: Elliott read an old newspaper report from 1896 telling of a running track being installed in the cemetery by a member of the public.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The date of the next board meeting will be January 15, 2014 at 7PM at the Historic Murphys School

ADJOURNMENT: Elliott moved that the meeting be adjourned. St. Louis seconded the motion. The motion passed 3/0 and the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 PM