

MURPHYS CEMETERY DISTRICT

Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of November 21, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Alan Armstrong at 7:00 PM at the Historic Murphys School at 65 Jones Street, Murphys, CA. Present were Trustees Alan Armstrong, Maureen Elliott, Jeff St. Louis & Kelly Wright. Also present were caretaker Robert Yeadon and Louise Carniglia.

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

AGENDA APPROVAL: Wright moved to accept the Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Elliott and passed 4/0.

MINUTES: Wright moved to accept the Minutes of October 17, 2012 as presented. St. Louis seconded the motion. The motion passed 4/0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Ms. Carniglia stated that the cemetery was maintained very well.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter from the CA Assoc. of Public Cemeteries was presented. It requested that each district respond as to whether or not they would support a law allowing anyone who had any interest in the cemetery, whether they lived in the district or not, to be buried there. "Interest" was defined as someone who had attended funerals or other events in the cemetery. Elliott moved that the Murphys Cemetery District oppose this proposed legislation. Wright seconded the motion and it passed 4/0.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Armstrong reported that the letter to J. Stai concerning the gate he installed had not yet been mailed but will go out Nov. 27th by registered mail.
2. Armstrong reported that he had not mailed the letter to J. Harding concerning items he has placed on grave plots. It will be sent by registered mail on Nov. 27.
3. Armstrong said would be picking up a work order form from the county Public Works Dept. on removal of our dead trees and the need for road repairs and would fill it out and return it to them.
4. Armstrong stated he did not have the address to return the headstone deposit to L. Bunch. Elliott gave him the mailing address.
5. Two of the board members and the caretaker and prospective board member Louise Carniglia attended the county Ethics Class.
6. The letter and two Resolutions sent to the special districts by the County Elections Office concerning consolidation of elections were sent to the district by mistake so the Resolutions they approved in October were not necessary.
7. Electricity for front gate was discussed along with the possibility of getting electricity from the old Murphys School house.
9. The dedication of Buena Vista Cemetery by the NSGW and the NDGW is supposed to be on March 10, 2013 but Elliott believes that the date should be March 9 since the letter states it is on a Saturday and the 10th is a Sunday.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The possible purchase of a power road grader which would be pulled behind the tractor was discussed. No action was taken.
2. The website/domain name is expiring soon. St. Louis moved to renew them for 1 year. Wright seconded the motion and it passed 4/0.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

1. Plot sales during October were 1 5'x5' and 1 5'x10'.
2. Invoices:
 - Robert Yeadon: \$86.80
 - Refund on plot to William Weller \$500
 - Annual dues to CAPC \$60

Wright moved that all the invoices be approved and paid. Elliott seconded the motion. The motion passed 4/0.

3. Financial reports as of October 31, 2012 were presented.
4. Elliott reported that the County Auditor's office wants their budget attestation changed so that the LAFC fee and potential interest earned will match what the Supervisors approved. However the numbers sent out by the county were inaccurate and after a couple of emails, they revised the new budget attestation form to fix the mistake. The new budget attestation form was approved and signed by all of the trustees and Elliott will email it to the Auditor's office.

CARETAKER REPORT: The caretaker had nothing to report.

TRUSTEE REPORTS: No reports were made.

Discussion was held on canceling the December board meeting. Wright moved that no board meeting be held in December. St. Louis seconded the motion and it passed 4/0

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The date of the next board meeting will be January 16, 2013 at 7PM at the Historic Murphys School

ADJOURNMENT: Wright moved that the meeting be adjourned. Elliott seconded the motion. The motion passed 4/0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 PM