

## MURPHYS CEMETERY DISTRICT

Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of January 15, 2014

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Trustee Maureen Elliott at 7:00 PM at the historic Murphys School at 65 Jones Street, Murphys, CA. Present were Trustees Maureen Elliott; Jeff St. Louis and Louise Carniglia. Also present caretaker Robert Yeadon. Trustee Alan Armstrong was absent and there is one vacant trustee position.

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

**AGENDA APPROVAL:** Elliott asked that New Fencing be added to the agenda under New Business. St. Louis moved to accept the Agenda as revised. The motion was seconded by Carniglia and passed 3/0.

**MINUTES:** St Louis moved to accept the Minutes of December 18, 2013 as presented. Elliott seconded the motion. The motion passed 3/0.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Cemetery Ordinance: The Notice of Exemption on the Cemetery Ordinance 2014-01 is ready to file with the county. Elliott will send it to them.

2. Since Armstrong was absent, the maps of the newest section of the cemetery are not available. This will be tabled until the next board meeting.

3. The CAPC annual survey of benefits is ready to file. Elliott will send it to them.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Moved by Elliott that Angels Pest Co to do the annual weed spraying in the cemetery at a price of \$2,300. Motion seconded by Carniglia and passed 3/0. Caretaker Yeadon to order the work when he feels it is appropriate.

2. The county supervisors have reappointed Louise Carniglia for a term ending 12/31/2015 and appointed a new board member, Jo Brooksher, for the same length of term.

3. A plot owner requested that they be allowed to have the height of the grave marker on the plot to be as high as 45". After discussion the board agreed.

4. A trustee reported they saw several people using a gate into the cemetery from their property after dark one evening. St. Louis moved and Elliott seconded, that all property owners whose land touches the cemetery have a copy of the Ordinance mailed to them with a cover letter. The motion passed 3/0.

5. A discussion was held on installing better fencing around the cemetery. Tabled until the next board meeting.

### **FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

1. Plot Sales: No cemetery plots were sold in December.

2. Invoices: Invoices to reimburse Maureen Elliott \$120 for the cost of publishing the Ordinance in the Calaveras Enterprise and caretaker Bob Yeadon for \$16.50 for fuel he purchased for the weed blower were presented and approved by the board for payment.

3. YTD November 30, 2013 financial report from the County Auditor was presented.

**CARETAKER REPORT:** Yeadon told the board that he was fixing the leaking pipe under the paved road and that the county road dept. would need to be notified to patch that section of the road when the work was completed. The dirt removed from the grave of Evelyn Wilson was not removed by the grave diggers and this needs to be taken care of. The grave was dug by the Jackson Rancheria people so Elliott volunteered to call Angels Mortuary and have them contact them to come back and clean up.

**TRUSTEE REPORTS:** None

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** The date of the next board meeting will be February 19, 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 8:35 PM