

Missoula Cemetery Board Meeting
Thursday, October 1, 2015
12:00pm
Missoula City Cemetery Office

Minutes

Present: Mary Lou Cordis, Ron Regan, Marjorie Jacobs, Sharee Fraser, Lani Moore, Mary Ellen Stubb
Absent: Carol Gordon, Pat McHugh

Approval of board minutes: September 2015 - unanimously approved as submitted.

Public comment. None.

Financials.

FY16 revenues were reviewed.

FY16 expenditures were reviewed. Mr. Regan noted the boiler inspection was completed for the first time in three years.

New or Continuing Items.

Stories and Stones - Mrs. Stubb reported a total of 37 storytellers including three new stories, two vendors, and the fiddlers are confirmed for the tour this year. All the guidebooks were printed and stapled in the cemetery office thanks to the new stitching machine and all storyteller signs were repaired in the cemetery office thanks to the laminating machine. Seven cemetery staff workers and one board member were confirmed to work the tour. The cemetery needs to contact the Street Dept. to request two workers for the day. Final arrangements need completed with UofM to pick up carts Sunday morning due to a Saturday football game. Mrs. Fraser will contact the Greek fraternity to see if volunteers can assist on tour day. The board will provide a luncheon to thank the storytellers and Mrs. Stubb will forward that information to Jennie Pak. Mr. Regan said the luncheon is one of the tour topics that staff, the board, and the storyteller coordinator need to discuss over the winter. There was discussion on the influence our tour has had on other cemeteries throughout the state who continue to model tours from our format.

Informational Items.

Update on city re-organization - Mr. Regan said the cemetery has been moved under the Public Works Department and he now reports to that director, John Wilson. Mr. Regan thinks this is a good move where the Public Works director may be able to assist the cemetery better. The board stated they were okay with the move as long as it proved to be a good thing for the cemetery.

Update on cemetery pit - Mrs. Fraser asked about cleanup. Mr. Regan said some progress has been made and things are beginning to be slowly hauled out. He said Mr. Hensel has been moving the cemetery tree branches from the storm. Mrs. Cordis expressed her concern that cleanup be completed before the new housing development begins at the old Clawson site or the cemetery will be fielding complaints.

Adjournment at 12:33p.m. Next meeting will be November 5, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ellen Stubb