Fairmount Cemetery Board of Directors Minutes Regular Meeting, September 16, 2015

Fairmount Cemetery Board of Directors met Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at Fairmount Cemetery office. Members present were Jackie Martin, Eva Choate, Angela Williams, Ann West, Jean Johnson, Nancy Cargile, Eva Horton, Mary Jane Steadman, Beverly Stribling, Donna Crisp. Also present were Candice Brewer, Carl White and David Knapp.

Jackie Martin called the meeting to order at 9:30am. Jackie Martin welcomed Nancy Cargile to the Fairmount Cemetery Board of Directors. There was no public comment. Minutes of the July meeting were approved as written. Ann West moved to approve the minutes as written. Beverly Stribling seconded the motion.

David Knapp and Carl White gave an update and construction schedule for the Columbarium. The Columbarium is scheduled to arrive on or around December 14, 2015. Site work will begin the middle of October. Concrete will be poured in November. Completion of the project is scheduled for April 1, 2016.

Candice Brewer will contact the Chamber of Commerce and the newspaper with date and time of the ground breaking ceremony. October 21st is the proposed date for the ground breaking ceremony.

Oscar Mota is on vacation. The board reviewed the monthly financial reports for July and August. The report for July is as follows: 5-regulare service, 3-Cremation funerals, 5-tent set-ups, 5-Equipment Maintenance collected, 4-marker survey, 4-container, 0-setting fees, 0-lot transfer feed, 3-regular spaces sold, 3-regular and 0-Cremations Perpetual Care. The report for August is as follows: 2-regulare service, 1-cremation funerals, 2-tent set-ups, 2-equipment maintenance collected, 3-marker survey, 1-conainer and 0 setting fee, 0-lot transfer fee, 8-regular spaces sold, 8-regular and 0-Cremation Perpetual Care.

There was a discussion on the placement of a monument made in Mexico. The potential problem with monuments constructed in Mexico is the veneer on the monument falls off. Angela Williams made the following motion.

I move that we allow the family to install the monument from Mexico with the provision they read and sign the new policies and procedures handbook acknowledging that we have the right to remove the monument if it falls into disrepair and becomes unsightly. Mary Jane Steadman seconded the motion.

Carl White reported on the action from the city legal department concerning Pleasant View. A discussion followed. Mary Jane Steadman will meet with Theresa James, City Attorney to follow up on the original motion.

Candice Brewer reported on upcoming events for Friends of Fairmount.

- October 3rd at 6:00 PM A Walk Through History in the cemetery at 6:00 PM
- November 11th at 11AM Veterans Day Program, speaker Wayne Landis
- November 4th Annual Meeting, Suzanne Campbell will report on the history of Pleasant View.

Future Agenda Items – Tour of the cemetery October 21st following ground breaking ceremony for the Columbarium.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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