

CEMETERY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES June 8, 2023 - 8:00 AM

The meeting was called to order at 8:00am by Chairman Joel Day. Day thanked everyone for attending.

Present were members Mayor Day, Kelly Herron, Ron McAbier, Mark Wideman, Tim Halter, and Troy Pallotto.

Excused: Richard Geib, Jim Exley, and Mitch Pace

Approval of the March 9th, 2023, meeting minutes:

1st: Ron McAbier

2nd: Tim Halter

The motion was approved unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Superintendent Kelly Herron reported that all is going well at the City's cemeteries. All of the trade-ins for the mowers have been delivered at good pricing. The 2023 Gators have been discontinued, so he will need to resubmit the purchase order for model year 2024 Gators that should arrive in July. Herron said there is plenty of money in the budget to cover any price difference.

Herron said that there have been no additional problems at the mausoleum. In an effort to deter homeless individuals from sleeping in the building, a lock was placed on the door and those who visit the building frequently have been given the pass code.

Lot sales have been average, with most sales coming in on an as-needed basis.

OLD BUSINESS:

Superintendent Herron said that he hasn't received any updates on the application process for the historical marker for the graves of Ohio Governor Vic Donahey and his family at East Avenue Cemetery. Herron said he would reach out to Tom Adamich to see how the application process is going. Mayor Day noted that when the marker is placed, he would like to invite any living members of the Donahey family to the unveiling.

NEW BUSINESS:

With the number of columbarium niches already sold at Schoenbrunn Meadow Cemetery, Service Director Ron McAbier said that the board will need to start thinking about the placement of additional columbariums. The master plan includes the demolition of the former office building with additional columbariums and burial space at that site. The demolition of the building will be included in next year's budget.

Superintendent Herron mentioned that the Cemetery Department is going to need a new 4x4 truck, as the current truck is in bad shape. He will be requesting funds to replace the truck in next year's budget.

With no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 a.m. on a motion by Troy Pallotto and second by Mark Wideman.

Jami Bailey, Administrative Assistant