

MINTURN CEMETERY DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

February 9, 2021

Members Present:

John Sheehan  
Stephen Jones

Members Absent:

Art Chavez

Staff:

Sidney Harrington

I CALL TO ORDER

John called the regular meeting to order at 4:29 p.m. at the Riverview Cemetery Mausoleum, Minturn, CO.

II ROLL CALL

John, Stephen and Sidney were present. Art and Ray were not present.

III PUBLIC COMMENTS

n/a

IV APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

John motioned to approve the meeting minutes from the January 12, 2021 regular meeting, Stephen seconded, and all were in favor.

V DISCUSSION

- A. The shed building site plan is being prepped for submittal by Pedro Campos with Zehren and Associates for review by Minturn's Planning & Zoning Committee. He anticipates that there will be additional items to follow up on and the submittal as it stands now will be a "work in progress".
- B. Old Edwards Cemetery update:  
Sidney received official word from the attorney for the Miller family who owns the Old Edward Cemetery that the family would like to move forward with donating the cemetery to the District. John and Stephen agreed that the District should confirm that future burials and plot sales will be allowed by the Eagle County Commissioners office per the attorney's MEMO. Sidney will ask Matt Mire to look into this as soon as possible. John thinks it would be a good idea to take some before and after photos of the cemetery.
- C. The First Call ossuary deposit contract was discussed by board and staff. All agreed that the intended use of the free ossuary here at the mausoleum is for indigent community purposes. The First Call agreement charges a minimal fee of \$5 per urn for depositing cremains from Science Care (whole body donation to science and similar circumstances). In the year 2020 more than 400 ossuary deposits were made by First Call, far exceeding the expected number of deposits. The agreement as it stands today has expired and will not be renewed with the existing terms. A new arrangement must be made and could include a burial plot with a

concrete vault designed for depositing ashes. The board would like for them to come before the board to discuss terms at a future meeting before a new agreement can be made.

- D. Sidney reported that she is working on the web site design including photo groupings, site verbiage and layout for the page design template.
- E. OTHER: Board and staff discussed cemetery vandalism that seems to be in-and-out of the news headlines on an ongoing basis. Cemetery entry gate lights were discussed and staff will look into it further. The mausoleum building currently has timed exterior lights in place for security purposes.

VI. BILL PAYING

The following electronic funds transfers were made:

EFT Centurylink 270.84

The following checks were signed:

2816 First Bank 169.64  
2817 MW Window Cleaning 330.00  
2818 Peggy Peters 315.00  
2819 Ramaker & Associates 6,400.00  
2820 Sforzo Enterprises, Inc. 1,620.00  
2821 Sidney Harrington 3,333.00  
2822 Vail Honeywagon 51.50  
2824 Xcel Energy 945.33  
2823 Vail Valley Ace Hardware 9.11

VII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

shed building remodel, Two Elk sub-area masterplan-TOM, GPR survey, bids for landscaping, Old Edwards Cemetery

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

At 5:59 p.m. John motioned to adjourn the regular board meeting, Stephen seconded and all were in favor.

**The next regular board meeting date and time is TO BE DETERMINED.**

Respectfully Submitted:  
Sidney Harrington  
Administrator

ATTEST:

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Stephen Jones  
Minturn Cemetery District  
Secretary/Treasurer