



**CEMETERY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
JULY 10, 2024 9:00 A.M.**

Call Meeting to Order:

Chairperson Dedoe called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Present: Dedoe, Travis, Bates, Smith, Neruda
Absent: None

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Chairperson Dedoe, supported by Member Travis by to approve the May 8, 2024 minutes. Vote: 5-0. **Motion Carried.**

Public Comments:

Cathy Jowett – person called about putting a tiny headstone with cremains but doesn't have a gravesite it will be put between two headstones on a family gravesite. Could do a footstone and bury on gravesite. Discussion held.

Correspondence:

None

Old Business:

Unused Gravesites Update

Still working on it. Cathy made maps on ones that need to be investigated. Diane has found out more information from Mr. Pearls book. People bought graves with whole blocks, but buried in different graves. Possible plots open. Will need to be investigated. Discussion held.

Sexton News:

Drew brought up cedar trees around cremation section that need to be removed. Don's tree service gave a bid of \$1,800.00 to remove them. Talking with Ernie about corner markers for cemetery. Has talked with BMJ. Replace re-rod with something nice. Another headstone in wrong spot in Ruby and cremains possibly in wrong spot. Waiting on Morgan's to get a quote on driveway in Ruby. Chairperson Dedoe would like to see if something could be done temporarily. Then get bids to add gravel.

Chairperson Dedoe will make a recommendation to the Board to have Don's Tree Service remove cedar trees.

Discussion held on cremains in wrong gravesite in Ruby. The footstone will have to be moved. Contact family to let them know and see what they want to do.

New Business:

Veteran Flags/holders

Veteran's flags were put out in May. Out of holders would like to order 30 more. Have gone through Holland in the past. Discussion held.

Letter VFW

Have not been charged for flags. Chairperson Dedoe has called them and they said that we are all set. Chairperson Dedoe drew up a letter of appreciation for the donation. Discussion held.

Driveway – New Section Ruby Cemetery

Do something temporarily. Then get bids to add gravel.

Pontem Program

In creating the veteran's list it's not very user friendly. Cathy created an excel spreadsheet. Chairperson Dedoe is asking if there is a different program we can use or check area townships on what they use. Discussion held.

Adjournment:

Motion by Chairperson Dedoe, supported by Member Travis to adjourn meeting at 9:49 a.m. Vote: 5-0. **Motion carried.**

Stacey Smith, Township Clerk