

Welton Cemetery Meeting
May 13, 2009

Ms. Kimpton called the meeting to order at 4:10 PM.

Roll Call: Marcianne Kimpton-present, Charles Boehnlein-present, Newell Beaumier-present

Visitors: Chris Paquette, Judy Beaumier

Mr. Boehnlein made a motion to approve the April 15, 2009 meeting minutes and Mr. Beaumier seconded. By voice vote, all board members agreed.

Ms. Dahlhausen reported that she had one burial and the disinterment was canceled. She added that Council is requesting a threshold that the Cemetery Board is comfortable with for the proposed bidding policy that they are reviewing. The board agreed that they would feel comfortable with their bidding threshold at \$20,000. Ms. Dahlhausen will follow up with council.

Ms. Dahlhausen contacted Jackson Fence Company to inform them we will need an extension to remove for the fence on the west side of the cemetery. They asked for three to four weeks notice to order materials and said the original quote won't need to be revised. Ms. Dahlhausen also informed the board that all property owners have returned signed waivers to allow the Street Department to remove brush and some trees on their property that may damage our proposed fence on the west property line except for Mr. Wholken. The board asked that Mr. Wholken attend the next meeting so we could record in the minutes that he has given us permission to remove the brush that he, Mr. Motil and Ms. Dahlhausen discussed on May 7, 2009.

Ms. Dahlhausen said Thomas Fence Company out of Ashtabula would like to meet with the board when they discuss replacing the front fence. Thomas Fence Company estimated about \$12,500 to replace the front fence and install a fence along the front section. The fence discussed would also have a lifetime warranty.

Ms. Dahlhausen informed the board about a company from out of state that repairs stones for Troy Townships Cemeteries. Stonehugger Cemetery Restoration is very caring with damaged stones and the materials they use. They also take before and after pictures and write a small report on what they did and what is written on the stone. This company is cheaper than any other company that the village has quoted in the past. The board asked Ms. Dahlhausen to contact the owner of this company and would like to meet with her when she comes to do repairs at Troy Township.

Mr. Motil was unable to attend. Ms. Dahlhausen reported that they trimmed some bushes by the mausoleum and will be mulching and mowing next week for Memorial Day. Ms. Dahlhausen asked if the Street Department could remove the bushes on the west side of the Ford mausoleum while they are removing brush for the fence project. The board agreed.

The board discussed some possible projects for 2009 after the fence project is completed. The next important thing is updating the drainage. If there is enough money remaining, the board discussed completing the front fence this year.

Mr. Boehnlein said he would like to see all of the stones and foundations in need of repairs completed by 2015. Ms. Kimpton suggested a couple things that we could add to the Capital Improvement Plan. She suggested stone repairs, a new drive in the east section connecting to the north end of the existing drive, a water line to the east section, drainage, surveying in the east section for plot marking, trash bins for the east section and possibly a small mausoleum for cremations only. Ms. Dahlhausen was advised to contact Chesterland for information about their mausoleum. Discussion followed about the Capital Improvement Plan. The next meeting was planned for Wednesday, May 20, 2009 at 4:00PM to complete a Capital Improvement Plan for Welton Cemetery for 2010 through 2015.

Mr. Boehnlein made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Beaumier seconded. The Welton Cemetery meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.

Board President

Cemetery Clerk