

ARLINGTON CEMETERY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 30, 2006 (UNOFFICIAL)

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairperson Florence Dahl-Bigaouette

Members Present: Chairperson Dahl-Bigaouette, Wiemann

Members Absent: Councilmember Borchert, Pomplun, Glieden, Goblirsch, Burdorf

Also Present: Mayor Czech, City Administrator Krueger, Supt. Thomes

Unofficial Minutes – No Quorum:

There was not a quorum to hold a legal meeting and therefore the minutes were not approved. They will be put on the next agenda.

Some discussion was held on crematoriums. It was suggested to research this further: who constructs them and associated costs. Krueger questioned if a location had been decided on for such a structure. Bigaouette stated that they were considering the area by the old entrance. It was suggested to have a monument company (McGraw from Le Sueur) come in to answer questions about this type of structure. Bigaouette volunteered to contact McGraw to see if they can attend the next meeting.

Bigaouette questioned how the city was going to handle the problem with adjoining property owners infringing on cemetery property. Administrator Krueger commented that a letter would have to be sent out to the property owners explaining that the cemetery has been surveyed and the pins have been located determining property lines. Residents will be asked to remove any and all structures that are currently located on cemetery property. They will also be informed that no shrubs, trees or plantings of any kind are permitted on cemetery property. He added that any existing trees, shrubs or plantings on cemetery property could legally be removed by the city. Thomes commented that the city has been mowing grass on private property for some time not knowing where the actual property lines were. He stated the residents should be made aware of this so they start maintaining it as their own property and not rely on the city to continue mowing it.

Administrator Krueger commented that the Council had made allowances for phase 2 of the landscaping project in the budget for next year, along with capital outlay for the proposed future road and lawnmower.

Thomes reported that he is looking at replacing some bases under a few monuments; otherwise things appear to be ok. He has not had as many complaints about kids anymore. Administrator Krueger questioned if people have been taking the copies of the Rules from the mailboxes. Thomes said some have been taken, but not many. Mayor Czech stated that he has somewhat monitored this as well and people have been respectful of the boxes.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2006 at 8:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers.