

ARLINGTON CEMETERY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 5, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairperson Florence Dahl-Bigaouette

Members Present: Chairperson Dahl-Bigaouette, Councilmember Borchert, Burdorf, Glieden, Goblirsch, Pomplun, Wiemann

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Mayor Czech, City Administrator Krueger, Deb Bell of Granit Bronz, Street Supt. Thomes

Granit Bronz representative Deb Bell presented information on columbariums to the Cemetery Board. She explained that the trend with burials is moving towards cremation. People are becoming more educated on cremations, traditional ties are getting weaker, regional differences and religious restrictions are diminishing, and they are becoming more concerned about the environment. Bell stated that cemeteries are trying to provide more options, such as above-ground burials and/or smaller cremation lots as this is what the public has been asking for. She stated that the column structures are becoming more popular because they add a beautiful feature to a cemetery, maximize space and help to generate revenue. Bell presented several different styles, name plaques and associated costs. She also explained how the structures are constructed and what kinds of warranties are available. Various questions were asked and answered about size, cost, and decorations.

The Board thanked Deb Bell for her presentation and time.

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

Motion by Pomplun, seconded by Glieden, and passed by unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 am.

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Vicki Pomplun, Secretary