

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
SANDUSKY CEMETERY BOARD
WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2018 AT 4:00 P.M.
IN THE CHAPEL AT OAKLAND CEMETERY
SANDUSKY, OHIO**

PRESENT:

Members: Chair Thom Darden, Deb Voltz, Linda O'Malley, Dennis Murray, Sr. and Secretary Kevin Zeiher.

Also present was City Treasurer Hank Solowiej, Superintendent Todd Gibson, Melissa Vassalo and Cemetery Manager Dan Hedberg. City Commissioner Greg Lockhart joined the meeting in process.

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 P.M. by Chair Thom Darden.

**MINUTES OF THE
PREVIOUS MEETING:**

The minutes of the April 25, 2018 meeting had been circulated and were approved as submitted on a motion by Mr. Murray, seconded by Ms. O'Malley. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

City Treasurer Hank. Solowiej presented the Oakland Cemetery Financial Report for the period ending June 30, 2018. The report disclosed that the sale of lots had increased by 54% over the same month in 2017 and that the expenses had increased by approximately \$19,531.00 over the same month for 2017 due to the hiring of an additional full-time employee. In addition, Mr. Solowiej was reporting \$632,656.46 in total Endowment Funds. Upon motion by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mrs. Voltz, the report was accepted as presented. Motion carried.

**CEMETERY MANAGER'S
REPORT:**

Cemetery Manager Dan Hedberg reported that landscaping, watering, trimming bushes, weed whipping and mowing had been the agenda for this quarter. The office porch had been painted and the steps were next. Mr. Hedberg had reported to the

Sandusky Police Department the theft of 12 care pots, perpetrator unknown.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Hedberg reported that a security system contractor had visited the cemetery and they met with Mr. Gibson and Mr. Hedberg to obtain a quote for securing the cemetery. The sheer size of the memorial grounds made complete security camera coverage impossible, but attention will be paid to the entrances and other high traffic areas of the cemetery. In addition, the Sidney Frohman Foundation had donated \$5,000.00 to the cemetery which is designated for a security system. At this time approximately \$10,000 has been set aside for the purchase of a security system, with a price tag expected to exceed \$20,000.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Hedberg reported that Section Y in the northwest corner of the cemetery will be surveyed and platted and numbered for approximately 1500 new grave spaces. The plots would be 4' by 10'.

The family of Gary Geasen donated a Japanese maple and Barbara Moore dug up a Lilac tree from her yard and with the assistance of Barnes Nursery planted the tree in Section Y.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, and upon motion by Mr. Murray, seconded by Ms. O'Malley, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20 P.M.

The next meeting of the Sandusky Cemetery Board will be held **Wednesday, October 31, 2018 at 4:00 P.M.**, at the Chapel at Oakland Cemetery.

Kevin J. Zeiher, Secretary