

MINUTES OF THE EVERGREEN MEMORIAL CEMETERY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
June 10, 2024

The Board of Trustees for the Evergreen Memorial Cemetery met in the Cemetery office located at 302 E. Miller St., at Time 6:05 P.M.

Trustee Gibson directed the Cemetery Manager to call the roll and the following members of the Board answered present:

Trustees: Joseph Gibson, President, Garrett Thalgott, Vice President and Brad Williams, Secretary/Treasurer.

Staff: Misty Porter, Cemetery Manager and Kyle Durlinger, Ground Supervisor.

“Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Minutes of the May 13, 2024, Board Meeting as submitted by Staff. (Recommend that the Minutes of the May 13, 2024, Meeting be approved as presented.)
- B. Approval of Anticipated Expenditures as presented for the month June 2024. (Recommend that the Anticipated Expenditures be approved as presented.)

Motion by Trustee Thalgott, seconded by Trustee Williams to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Trustee Gibson directed the Cemetery Manager to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Trustees Gibson, Thalgott, and Williams.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Approval by Board of Monthly Cemetery Audit for May 2024.

Motion by Trustee Thalgott, seconded by Trustee Williams to approve the Monthly Cemetery Audit for May 2024 as presented and forward on to Township Board for action and approval at their June 24, 2024, meeting.

Trustee Gibson directed the Cemetery Manager to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Trustees Gibson, Thalgott, and Williams.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Approval by Board to transfer \$200,000.00 from Reserve Account (7782) to Business Checking Account (7774).

Motion by Trustee Thalgott, seconded by Trustee Williams to approve a transfer of \$200,000.00 from Reserve Account (7782) to Business Checking Account (7774).

Trustee Gibson directed the Cemetery Manager to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Trustees Gibson, Thalgott, and Williams.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

2024 Year to Date Burials: Evergreen Memorial Cemetery - 27
East Lawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery - 26
Park Hill Cemetery - 14
Evergreen Memorial Pet Cemetery - 0

Comments: Trustee Gibson said that he received a phone call from former Board President, Eugene Lorch. He said that Gene had visited the cemetery recently and wanted to let him know that the cemetery is beautiful and is the most well kept in all of town. Trustee Gibson said that the Memorial Day Ceremony was excellent. Cemetery Manager said that after the ceremony the American Legion presented staff with a Certificate of Appreciation for all the cemetery does for Veterans. The Grounds Supervisor said that 2 large branches came down while getting the cemetery ready for Memorial Day. Kyle said that 4 of the 6 columbariums have been set. Misty said the RFP for concrete work at the mausoleum will be going out soon in hopes to have that project completed by June of next year. The Grounds Supervisor said the cemetery reached out to the City Inspector per Trustee Gibson's recommendation and is waiting for a call back. Kyle also said that the shop doors have been installed, this was a project from last fiscal year. Trustee Gibson asked, has the homeless around been affecting the cemetery? The Grounds Supervisor said that the grass around the tents on the trail is getting pretty tall which is unsightly. The cemetery Manager said that there was a report from the public that they believe someone is sleeping in the cemetery in their vehicle. The caller said she did report it to the police but was a while after she left the cemetery. Cemetery Staff have been keeping watch for the vehicle so that they too can report it to the police. Trustee Thalgott said that having the presence of more homeless and people sleeping in their vehicles is not good for the cemetery. Trustee Thalgott imagines that it makes families visiting uncomfortable. The cemetery Manager said it makes the whole staff uncomfortable. Misty said the staff don't feel safe approaching anyone in or out of their vehicles. Trustee Gibson said for staff to not approach just call it in to the police.

Public Comments: No one came forward to address the Board.

Motion by Trustee Thalgott, seconded by Trustee Williams to adjourn. Time: 6:21 P.M.

Trustee Gibson directed the Cemetery Manager to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Trustees Gibson, Thalgott, and Williams.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Gibson, President

Garrett Thalgott, Vice President

Brad Williams, Secretary/Treasurer

Passed and approved this 8th day of July 2024.

Attest: _____ President

_____ Vice President

_____ Secretary/Treasurer

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