

CITY OF GRAND HAVEN  
LAKE FOREST CEMETERY BOARD

MINUTES

February 10, 2020

Members Present: Brent Fett, Rita Fortino Brook, Connie VanSchelven, Judy Brower, Kathryn Roberts and Derek Gajdos.

Members absent: None

Guests Present: Scott Klaassen, Dale Meyerling, Larry Kieft, and Jim Porenta

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM by Chairman Fett

Minutes of the November 11, 2019 meeting were read by VanSchelven and approved as read.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Derek discussed the revisiting of the current cemetery fees. Our fees for lots and burials are not in line with area cemeteries. He will look at past history of the setting of said fees and will bring a proposal to the next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Larry Kieft again presented the proposal for the remediation of erosion between blocks 53 and 45A. GH City Council defeated our original proposal. Minor adjustments have been made. Discussion followed concerning how to best present this proposal to the City Council. Keift and Fett are going to arrange for a meeting with Mr. Gajdos for the purpose of resending the original project to City Council (with minor adjustments). PASSED.
- Dean Meyerling requested a variance for a second stone to be placed on block 47, lot 90, grave 1. Moved by Fortino and support by VanSchelven to allow this variance with the request that the second stone be placed horizontally to the present one. PASSED
- The cemetery is using the county's SWAP crew for the cleanup of leaves and sticks.
- It was discussed to allow the public works director to close the cemetery during inclement weather. We had a vehicle go off the road and hit a marker.
- Self-guided cemetery tour brochures are available in the box outside of the office. These were put together by the Library and Museum.

There being no further business, it was moved by Connie and supported by Rita adjourn the meeting at 3:50 PM. Motion PASSED. The next meeting is scheduled for March 9, 2020.