Cemetary Restoration Advisory Board
March 28, 2019  Meeting Minutes
Village Hall

Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order by Chair Zets at 3:48 p.m.

Swearing in of New Members:
Chair Zets administered the Oath of Office to Thomas Shockey who was appointed by
council as a non-voting member.

Clerk's note: Victor Wilson was appointed by council as a voting member, but was unable to attend
this meeting due to being out of the country.

Roll Call:
Brian Zets, Chair P
Bill Resch P
Nancy Ferguson P
Victor Wilson A
Thomas Shockey P
TBD
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Staff members present: Jennifer Mason, Clerk of Council, Mark Nemec, Public Service
Director, and Stephen Mayer, Development Services Manager.

Public Present: Denise Kohn

Annual Organizational Meeting:
Elect Chairperson: Member Ferguson moved to reappoint Brian Zets as Chair.
Member Resch seconded and all voting members approved the appointment.

Elect Vice-Chairperson: Chair Zets moved to appoint Victor Wilson as Vice-Chair.
Member Ferguson seconded an all voting members approved the appointment.

Elect Secretary: Member Ferguson moved to appoint Bill Resch as Secretary. Chair
Zets seconded and all voting members approved the appointment.

Establish date, time, and location for 2019 meetings: Member Ferguson moved to set
regular meetings on second Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. at Village Hall. Chair Zets
seconded and all voting members approved the meeting date, time, and location.
Approval of the October 2, 2018 meeting minutes:
Chair Zets moved to approve the October 2, 2018 meeting minutes and Member Ferguson seconded. All voting members approved and the minutes were passed.

Approval of the Agenda:
Chair Zets asked if anyone had any proposed changes to the agenda. Hearing none, Member Ferguson moved to accept the agenda. Secretary Resch seconded and all voting members approved the agenda.

Hearing of Visitors:
Presentation on Rose Run II:
Development Services Manager Stephen Mayer presented the attached PowerPoint presentation containing concept drawings and maps for the Rose Run 2 project.

Secretary Resch expressed interest in the Main Street and Dublin-Granville Road intersection being the “Village Square area” with a nicer look.

Member Shockey asked, and CRAB members and staff discussed the outlines of the Historic Village Center which encompassed Main Street, Second Street, Third Street, High Street, and Dublin-Granville Road.

Secretary Resch asked and Manager Mayer answered that the leisure trail would continue to into the Rose Run 2 area. It could be parallel with the stream behind the buildings or could be ahead of the buildings by the street. The trail would be on the north side of the stream.

Member Ferguson suggested that Manager Mayer review the end of the Cemetery Restoration Advisory Report submitted to council for ideas for landscaping around the cemetery. Council was receptive to those ideas except for the flagpole which was seen as redundant. Clerk Mason gave Manager Mayer a copy of the Report.

Chair Zets expressed confusion at the circular walls and placement of the cemetery. He wasn’t clear whether stones would be moved and thought the cemetery would have to remain in its current shape. Manager Mayer said that staff was thinking of changing the location and arrangement, but the presentation contained only aspirational and conceptual depictions. Secretary Resch wanted people to know the original corners of the cemetery which were mapped by Ohio Valley Archeology. Member Ferguson agreed regarding preserving the original boundaries. She told Manager Mayer that many headstones were purposefully placed where there were no actual graves to reinforce to the public that their locations were not accurate. When sites were chosen, it was to avoid misleading people. If the markers were moved, she wanted to make sure that (1) no actual grave was where a stone was placed – except for the few known
graves, and (2) no paths were run over actual graves. Manager Mayer said that how placement worked would happen further down in the design phase of Rose Run II.

Members and staff discussed the history of the nearby warehouse which was used to chill, store, and distribute milk from area farms. That warehouse was still privately owned, but not much could be done with it because of the stream that ran under it.

Member Ferguson talked about placement of the stone markers being flush to the ground. If staff was putting corner stones in, she would want to mark exactly where the original corners were. She expressed concerns about moving the existing grave markers.

Members and Manager Mayer discussed the location of a potential stormwater basin. Secretary Resch asked if the stormwater reserve would be accessible to the public. Manager Mayer answered that he would like that, but it was not currently set up to be accessible. It would still serve a public purpose.

Members and staff discussed possible connections plans through the Rose Run 2 area via street extensions.

Secretary Resch asked about the plan around Market Street. Manager Mayer replied that it would all be developable space. Secretary Resch remarked that he was amazed at how much the area would be opened up and liked how the plans gave more visibility to the cemetery.

Members asked when the Rose Run 2 plans would start. Manager Mayer did not know. He stated that staff would be taking the plans to council as a future capital project. The parking lot project would likely happen sooner rather than later. Secretary Resch expressed approval of the placement of the community garden along Village Hall Road.

Members thanked Manager Mayer for the presentation.

Other Business:
Member Ferguson passed around the attached list and members discussed the items. Member Ferguson wanted to have a to-do list since the group had been meeting only periodically.

Denise Kohn volunteered to compare the CRAB's list, Mark Smith's list, and the list of monuments to be reproduced, to create the comprehensive list of who was still interred in the cemetery. The final list would be the one to go on the city's web page for the New Albany cemetery project.
Member Ferguson wanted to make sure any final list was put on Find-a-grave as they had some inaccurate information. Some of the persons interred in Maplewood Cemetery were listed as being in the New Albany Cemetery.

Member Ferguson had circulated an email to CRAB members about the Historic Marker. The first draft of the sign had already been approved by council. Public Service Director Mark Nemec volunteered to follow up about the sign. The city’s website page would be set up by Marketing Officer Scott McAfee.

Member Ferguson remarked that a few names needed to be reviewed for the six to twelve monuments that still needed to be reproduced and installed. Director Nemec said he would talk to City Manager Joseph Stefanov about the status of the contract to remake those markers. Member Ferguson asked that City Manager Stefanov or staff reach out to Carmine Menduni at Columbus Art Memorial, Inc. to get an estimate as Mr. Menduni already put a lot of time into this project.

Clerk’s note: Chair Zets departed at 5:06.

Member Ferguson noted that the City of Dublin had an ongoing budget to restore its cemetery monuments and she wished that New Albany had the same.

Members discussed the Wagner Cemetery at Cedar Brook and Central College Roads. Member Ferguson observed that all broken markers were still next to their bases. It would not be as expensive to restore them. The city had spent around $15,000 restoring the New Albany Cemetery. If the city could budget around $10,000 per year, it could start working on the Wagner Cemetery and would be done in two years. With the markers replaced, the mowers wouldn’t have to worry about using the large lawn mowers around the stones.

Member Ferguson recalled that Council Member Fellows supported the CRAB making recommendations to restore Wagner Cemetery. She wanted to know what the CRAB could do to keep the momentum going forward. Mr. Shockey asked and Ms. Ferguson answered that the New Albany Public Service Department maintained Wagner Cemetery. She hoped to draw on the CRABs experience restoring New Albany Cemetery to take care of Wagner Cemetery.

Members discussed expanding the board to give all council-appointed CRAB members voting rights. Clerk Mason offered to draft an ordinance for the CRAB’s review.

Schedule the next meeting:
Members agreed to meet next on April 10, 2019 at 3:30 p.m.
Member Shockey noted that he could not attend the April 10th meeting. Clerk’s note: The April 10, 2019 meeting was rescheduled to May 15, 2019 due to lack of quorum.
Poll members for comment:
None.

Adjournment:
The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Signed:

Brian Zets, Chair

Bill Resch, Clerk/Secretary
PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The following are project objectives that guided the development of the Rose Run II plan:

1. CONTINUE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ROSE RUN GREENWAY CORRIDOR AS THE CENTRAL PUBLIC PARK FOR THE VILLAGE CENTER AND CITY.

2. DEVELOP A PLAN FOR FOUNDERS CEMETERY

3. STUDY RELOCATING THE COMMUNITY GARDENS.

4. DETERMINE AND ACCOMMODATE THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING NEEDS OF THE CITY AND ADDRESS PARKING NEEDS.
5. DETERMINE THE LONG-TERM FACILITY NEEDS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WITHIN THIS BLOCK.

6. STRENGTHEN THE CONNECTIVITY BETWEEN MARKET SQUARE, THE HISTORIC VILLAGE CENTER, AND ROSE RUN.

7. PLAN FOR FUTURE AREA STORMWATER COMPENSATION/MANAGEMENT.

8. ENABLE COMPLEMENTARY DEVELOPMENT ALONG DUBLIN GRANVILLE ROAD.

The following pages describe how this plan achieves the objectives for Rose Run Phase II.
HOW DO WE ACHIEVE OUR PROJECT OBJECTIVES?

STRENGTHEN THE CONNECTIVITY | MARKET SQUARE, HISTORIC CENTER, AND ROSE RUN

BEST PRACTICES STREETSCAPE
**How do we achieve our project objectives?**

**Determine needs of village hall | accommodate parking and layout**

**How do we achieve our project objectives?**

**Needs of the police department | expanded parking in this block**
How do we achieve our project objectives?

Community Gardening

Best Practices Community Gardens
HOW DO WE ACHIEVE OUR PROJECT OBJECTIVES?

FOUNDER'S CEMETERY | DEVELOPING THE PLAN

BEST PRACTICES FOUNDERS CEMETERY
HOW DO WE ACHIEVE OUR PROJECT OBJECTIVES?

CONTINUE THE ROSE RUN GREENWAY CORRIDOR | CREATE A CORNER GATEWAY

HOW DO WE ACHIEVE OUR PROJECT OBJECTIVES?

STORM WATER MANAGEMENT | EXPANDING IN THE FUTURE
BEST PRACTICES CREEK WALL

HOW DO WE ACHIEVE OUR PROJECT OBJECTIVES?

ENABLE DEVELOPMENT | DUBLIN GRANVILLE ROAD
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1) We need a volunteer to compare our list of interments with Mark Smith’s list and the list of monuments needed for reproduction, to create one final list which can be put on our website.

2) We need to put the list on Find-a-grave.

3) What should we be doing to keep things progressing on
   a) Getting a historic marker made
   b) Getting a website set up
   c) Getting the 6-12 monuments reproduced and installed

4) What should we do about Wagner Cemetery?

5) Do we have numbers for quorum?