

CEMETARY RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 11, 2022

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chair Zets at 3:33 p.m.

Oaths of Office: Chair Brian Zets swore in Ronni Feibel as a new member of the Cemetery Restoration Advisory Board.

Roll Call:

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Staff present for CRAB: Clerk of Council Jennifer Mason, Public Services Coordinator Angie Hobart

Annual Organizational Meeting:

<u>Elect Chairperson</u>: Bill Carleton moved to re-elect Brian Zets as Chair. Ronni Feibel seconded and all members voted to re-elect Brian Zets as Chair.

Elect Vice Chair: Bill Carleton moved to re-elect Victor Wilson as Vice Chair. Ronni Feibel seconded and all members voted to re-elect Victor Wilson as Vice Chair.

<u>Elect Secretary</u>: Bill Resch moved to re-elect Bill Carleton as Secretary. Brian Zets seconded and all members voted to elect Bill Carleton as Secretary.

Establish date, time, and location for 2022 meetings:

The board agreed that 4th Tuesdays in Village hall at 3:30 pm continued to work on everyone's schedule and to maintain that day for meetings in 2022.

Clerk Mason read the statement from the <u>Standard Rules of Procedure of New Albany Boards</u> and Commissions reminding members that 3 consecutive absences or 4 absences in any year would be considered a forfeiture of the membership to the Commission/Board.

Approval of the February 15, 2022 meeting minutes:

Secretary Carleton moved to approve the February 15, 2022 minutes as submitted. Member Feibel seconded and all members voted to approve the February 15, 2022 minutes as submitted.

Approval of the Agenda:

Chair Zets moved to approve the agenda. Vice Chair Wilson seconded and the all members voted to approve the agenda.

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Hearing of Visitors:

None.

Other Business:

Historical marker application

Chair Zets reviewed the completed application with members. He had purposely left the location vague since Rose Run 2 and Vets Memorial were still being designed. Clerk Mason would provide the city's tax-exempt number. Public Services Coordinator Angie Hobart would be the Public Service contact and her city address would be used for the shipping address on the application. The remainder of the application would remain as is.

Chair Zets moved to approve the application with the above additions. Vice Chair Wilson seconded and all members voted to approve the application.

Chair Zets said he would coordinate with Clerk Mason to do the cover letter.

City website update

Clerk Mason showed the board the start of the New Albany Cemeteries page on the city's website. The board agreed that they wanted to display more pictures of the New Albany Cemetery – similar to the album for Wagner Cemetery. The Maplewood Cemetery link should be more noticeable. The list of those interred was still needed along with a paragraph about Wagner Cemetery. Find-A-Grave may still need updates. This was something former members Ferguson and Kohn had talked about. The members discussed the official spelling of Wagner/Wagnor. Vice Chair Wilson agreed to work on the summary paragraph.

Other discussions

Members discussed the status of the 6 headstones that needed to be fully recreated as there was not enough left to repair. City Manager Stefanov should have that list. If not, Mark Smith from Gravestone Transformations had it.

Schedule next meeting: As there were no agenda items for the May meeting, the board agreed to set the next regular meeting to June 28, 2022 at 3:30 pm.

Poll members for comment:

Member Feibel led a discussion about expanding the CRAB's mission to Maplewood Cemetery. Members discussed how Maplewood was not in the city's jurisdiction, but residents were buried there. Member Feibel talked about coordinating efforts with the Plain Township to improve Maplewood which had significant drainage issues. She recommended bringing Ben Collins to a CRAB meeting. Members noted that Member Mary Fee, who managed the Maplewood Cemetery, would be a good person to start with. Members talked about the specific direction given to the CRAB by council and the process to this point. Expanding the mission of the CRAB would require support from council members.

Adjournment:

Chair Zets moved to adjourn. Vice Chair Wilson seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:54 pm

Brian Zets, Chair

Secretary

Date