

**LINDSAY-STRATMORE PUBLIC CEMETERY DISTRICT**  
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July 17, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Lindsay-Strathmore Cemetery District office by Director Dennis Medders. In addition to Director Medders, in attendance were Director Jeff Tienken and Cemetery Manager Brenda Altermatt. Director Rains was at a church camp.

Director Tienken made the motion that the June 2019 minutes be approved. Director Medders seconded the motion. With all in favor, the minutes were approved.

There were no public comments.

The current bills were reviewed and paid by the directors. Also examined were the ones that required payment prior to the meeting. The total bills for June were: Salaries \$13,840.76; Medical Insurance \$1,990.35; Water/Grove Care \$4,456.71; remaining expenses \$10,868.76. Income for June was \$47,277.05, of which \$20,750.00 was from citrus proceeds. The Tritten Account balance was \$65,341.45. Accessible at the meeting for the Board members to review were the (3) county balance sheets for the Pre-Need, Endowment and General Accounts (for Period 11), and the Tulare County Quarterly Treasurer's Report ending March 31, 2019. Mrs. Altermatt presented the July Cemetery Manager's Report (attached to the minutes).

Interments for June were (5) full burials and (2) cremations at Lindsay and (2) Frazier Valley full burials.

### **Old Business:**

**Addition 15 Expansion** – Manager Altermatt reported that there had been no actual work started on this addition. She said that Foreman Jaime Garza had been consulting with various individuals who will be assisting and/or advising him about the trenching, purchase of materials, plot layout, etc. for this area. Because of some family issues and grounds work that needed to be done, he has not been able to make Addition 15 his primary focus when he is at work. Through Mrs. Altermatt, he wanted the Board members to know that hopefully by the next meeting there will be more progress to report. Again, he expressed that he welcomed any input from our Board members.

**State Required Web Site** – As requested at the last meeting Mrs. Altermatt contacted Oacys Technology in Porterville about setting up a web site for our cemetery. She was told that they did not do that type of work and referred her to the Marcom Group in Bakersfield. After discussing with their representative what we needed for them to do, and being told that it would cost our district from \$4,000-\$5,000.00, she expressed appreciation for their time and said that we would need to look elsewhere. On a motion by Director Tienken, and second by Director Medders, with all in favor, the board members decided to have Mrs. Altermatt contact Ben Patel at Visalia Website Design to proceed with the required website. The price he had estimated to her on June 13<sup>th</sup> was as follows: [www.com](http://www.com) name is about \$13.99 a year, hosting the website is about \$10.00 per month, the SSL (licensing) certificate (which shows & secures the site) is about \$70.00-or more-per year, the theme is a onetime charge of \$60.00 and Visalia Webb will charge



\$500.00 to design our website. Mr. Patel had contacted her today (7/17) with information that there is a possibility of "piggybacking" with the Visalia Cemetery and Porterville Cemetery on the licensing fee. Mrs. Altermatt reported that she had been in contact with Manager Summers in Visalia expressing an interest in this "piggybacking". More details about the final cost and the progress on this project will be presented at the next meeting.

**Public Benefit Equipment Grant Programs** – There were two air quality programs that were to be considered at this meeting – the programs would be for the ZeroNox Utility Cart and Mean Green CXR Mower. But because there was not a full board, it was decided that consideration for these two machines will be considered at the next meeting. Director Medders recommended that Joe Comer from Lawrence Tractor be contacted to bring out the CXR mower for our grounds men to try out. He also asked Manager Altermatt to see if there were any other types/brands of equipment available under these grants/programs.

### **New Business:**

**Gloria Lewine Gravesite Transfer** – On a motion by Director Tienken, and second by Director Medders, with all in favor, the Board members issued a refund check for (2) gravesites in the amount of \$450.00 each to Gloria Lewine.

**CalPERS Annual Unfunded Accrued Liability** – Manager Altermatt related to the members that LSCD had the option of paying this payment to CalPERS in a lump amount of \$496.00, or to pay monthly payments of 42.76. The Board members directed her to pay the \$496.00.

**2018-19 Fiscal Year Audit Proposals** – Two audit proposals were presented to Director Medders and Director Tienken for consideration. They were from Lynn Lampe CPA (M. Green & Co.) and from David Farnsworth CPA. Director Medders requested that Mrs. Altermatt attempt to get one more proposal, if possible, by the August meeting. A decision will be made at that time.

**Workman's Comp Consideration** – Mrs. Altermatt had received the company name, and had been in contact with, Golden State Risk Management, to get their approximate cost of workman's comp insurance for our district. But, because the down payment was due to be paid on 7/16/19 to Midwest Insurance Company (the workman's comp that we have been with for many years), Director Medders had instructed Manager Altermatt to pay the payment prior to the July meeting, thus we will remain with them for another year. She will begin comparing various companies earlier in 2020, so that we can be assured that we are getting the best and most economical policy for LSCD.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m. The next regular Board meeting will be held at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday August 21, 2019.

Respectively Submitted,

*Dennis R. Medders*