

# CLAY STREET CEMETERY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES, FEBRUARY 7, 2018 FAIRBANKS CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 800 CUSHMAN STREET, FAIRBANKS, ALASKA



The **Clay Street Cemetery Commission** convened at 5:00 p.m. on the above date to conduct a Regular Meeting at the City Council Chambers, 800 Cushman Street, Fairbanks, Alaska, with Chair Aldean Kilbourn (Seat C) presiding and with the following members in attendance:

Members Present:	George Dalton, Seat A Julie Jones, Seat E David Erickson, Seat G
Absent:	Michael Gibson, Seat B Frank Turney, Seat D Karen Erickson, Seat F
Also Present:	Emily Braniff, Deputy City Clerk John Voytilla, Citizen

#### **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

a) Regular Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2017.

Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Dalton, moved to APPROVE the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2017.

Chair Kilbourn called for objection and, hearing none, so ORDERED.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Dalton, moved to APPROVE the Agenda.

**Chair Kibourn** requested that a discussion of William Wimbish be added to the agenda under New Business and that the 2018 Bed Tax Grant Application be added under Unfinished Business.

**Chair Kilbourn** called for objection to the APPROVAL of the Agenda, as Amended and, hearing none, so ORDERED.

#### **CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

Chair Kilbourn called for Public Testimony and, hearing none, declared Public Testimony closed.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a) Update on Duplicate Graves per Discussion with Erika Miller

**Chair Kilbourn** reported she spoke with Ms. Miller about duplicate grave markers at the cemetery and that Ms. Miller was unaware of the issues. **Chair Kilbourn** stated they would get together after the snow melts to go through the cemetery to address the duplicate grave markers.

b) 2018 Bed Tax Grant Application

**Chair Kilbourn** asked if the Commission was eligible to apply for the next year's bed tax grant. **Ms. Jones** spoke to the reason behind the denial of 2017 grant funds and reported that they are eligible to apply for the upcoming year's grant.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

a) Memorial Day – Grounds at the Cemetery

**Chair Kilbourn** stated she is working with a teacher from Barnette Elementary School to organize a work party to help clean up the cemetery before Memorial Day.

**Ms. Jones** reported Michael Gibson's group of Pioneers would be organizing a work party to get the cemetery ready for the Memorial Day celebration as well.

b) Wording for Emails to Various Scout Leaders about Troops to Clean Cemetery Grounds

Commission members decided that asking for help beautifying the cemetery would meet the Mission Statement of the Commission.

c) David Inman's Database

Chair Kilbourn requested that the Commission discuss David Inman's database at the March meeting.

d) William Wimbish

**Chair Kilbourn** gave a history of Mr. Wimbish who was murdered and buried in the General Section of the cemetery.

## **OPEN AGENDA**

**Mr. Erickson** reported he has the application for Private John White's replacement head stone ready for signature and asked the Commission if they would like it to be marble or granite.

Chair Kilbourn, seconded by Ms. Jones, moved to order Private John White's replacement headstone in marble.

Chair Kilbourn called for objection, and hearing none, so ORDERED.

## **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next Regular Meeting of the Clay Street Cemetery Commission is scheduled for March 7, 2018.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Dalton, moved to ADJOURN the meeting.

Chair Kilbourn called for objection and, hearing none, so ORDERED.

Chair Kilbourn declared the meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Aldean Kilbourn, Chair

Emily Braniff, Deputy Clerk

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