

**MECOSTA-AUSTIN TOWNSHIP
CEMETERY BOARD**

Meeting October 19, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM by Kenn Vredenburg

Present: Kenn Vredenburg, Jean Ulrich, Michelle Graham, Julie Jankowski, Sandy Mayo
Absent: Lois Brennan

Motion to approve April 20, 2017 minutes as corrected by Jean Ulrich, 2nd by Michelle Graham
Motion approved.

Treasurer's report approved with addition of last check to Tinkerpeet for mowing.

Old Business

Discussed renewing mowing contract with Tinkerpeet for 2018. Very pleased with service, and discussed upping amount by \$5.00 for each mowing. Julie Jankowski moved we renew contract with Tinkerpeet for 2018 with \$5.00 increase per mowing, total not to exceed \$3500 for the season. Supported by Michelle Graham. Motion approved.

Kenn reported the County Road Commission cut down the problem trees. Wood was offered to fire fighters and has been removed. Some mulch left, may need to clean up in spring.

Agreed to continue policy of having Sr. Class at Morley-Stanwood clean cemetery in the spring for a donation.

New Business

Julie Jankowski reported that Ray Colbert turned his lot over to his daughter. Merceed Vera, Jr. and his wife would like to have their cremation ashes interred on their 6 year old daughter's grave. Cheryl Lynn Vera was buried in 1964 at age six. Not a problem. Julie reported that 9 of the 20 cremation sites have been sold in the two years they have been available. As this size is becoming more popular discussion was held on creating more when we expand again. She also reported she's had some requests for a porta-potty to be available. After discussion it was decided that the expense was not worth the limited usage and it could be a target for vandalism.

Julie reported one of the drives has some serious rutting and pot holes that need fixing. Julie Jankowski moved we buy gravel to fix the pot holes, cost not to exceed \$500. Supported by Michelle Graham. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50PM

Sandy Mayo
Austin Township Trustee