

CEMETERY BOARD MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 12, 2023 - 8:00 AM

The meeting was called to order at 8:00am by Chairman Joel Day. Day thanked everyone for attending.

Present were members Mayor Day, Kelly Herron, Ron McAbier, Mitch Pace, and Mark Wideman.

Excused: Richard Geib, Jim Exley and Tim Halter.

** No action was taken due to a lack of quorum **

Mayor Day announced to the board that Troy Pallotto will be joining the board, replacing Dave Frantz. He will attend the February meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Superintendent Kelly Herron presented a report of 2022 burials and sales, compared with 2021. In 2021, there were 125 burials (72 full, 53 cremations), 108 grave spaces sold (96 full, 12 niches), and 31 foundations installed. In 2022, there were 103 burials (55 full, 48 cremations), 90 grave spaces sold (69 full, 21 niches), and 41 foundations installed. Herron said that the lower burial numbers are likely due to the decrease in Covid-19 deaths. He also noted that in 2021, the higher number of grave spaces sold was due to a large number of spaces sold to Cavalry Baptist Church. The higher number of niches sold in 2022 in comparison with the previous year is in line with the trend that is being seen. The Superintendent said that before the new cemetery was created, average grave sales were 6-12 spaces per year.

The two mismatched trees between the columns at Schoenbrunn Meadow Cemetery have been replaced with two matching ones. The original trees were moved to a different spot in the cemetery and 10 additional trees have been added along the back. Service Director McAbier said that 60 additional trees will be added to the whole property over time.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mayor Day asked if the old office building would be able to be taken down this year. Superintendent Herron said that the only way to do it would be to take the funds from the endowment money, so it will need to wait until next year.

With no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:12 a.m.

Jami Bailey, Administrative Assistant