



Minutes Double Butte Cemetery Advisory Committee August 17, 2011

Minutes of the Double Butte Cemetery Advisory Committee meeting held on August 17, 2011, 4:00 p.m., Tempe Public Library – Library Board Room, 2nd Floor, 3500 S. Rural Rd.

Members Present:

Jim Mack, Filled in as Chair
Robert Marshak
Carol McKnight
Katherine Rountree
Katherine Schmidt
Eduarda Yates

Members Absent:

Brad Olsen, Chair
Sandi Hutson, Vice-Chair

City Staff Present:

Mike Clark, Public Works - Field Operations
Bobbi Lloyd, Public Works – Field Operations
Oliver Ncube, Public Works – Field Operations

Meeting convened at 4:00 pm.

Jim Mack called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1 – Consideration of Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes of April 17, 2011 were accepted.

Agenda Item 2 – Public Appearances

None

Agenda Item 3 – Maintenance Updates

Mike Clark provided an update on recent maintenance activity.

Comments/Follow up:

- Continue to receive County worker help with the maintenance on the weekends.
- Twice a year clean-up is coming up in the beginning of November.

- Upcoming tree donation project where 30 trees will be added throughout the cemetery. This will include 8-10 willows and 20 other varieties. They will be consulting an arborist looking for low water use and easy maintenance varieties. Currently losing about 4-5 mesquite per storm so will not be adding those.
- Spraying of olive trees to prevent droppings costs \$65.00 per olive tree and there are 425 of them so cost prohibited, in addition hard on the trees.
- The front grass area is looking better.
- To help prevent traffic cutting through to Butte hotel and stadium the southern gate will be closed and locked at all times. Also during spring training a no thru traffic sign will be used.

Agenda Item 4 – Sales Report

Sales sheet reflecting new burial and peripheral sales was provided in packet. Sales have increased in July and August over last year. Staff will follow up with Cynthia regarding marketing and advertisement.

Agenda Item 5 – Future Agenda Items

- Arizona Centennial 100 year anniversary, Robert Marshak made contact with the Tempe Historical Society and they are planning to do something after the first of the year as part of the centennial.
- The Paranormal Investigation Group will be conducting a class called Exploring the Paranormal; the search for Ghosts which was permitted by the group. We will set up a follow up after the class has concluded for feedback.

Meeting adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

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