



MARIPOSA COUNTY
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MARIPOSA TOWN CEMETERY COMMITTEE

ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES

August 22, 2024

A. 1:00pm Called to Order

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Bill Bondshu	Member	Present	12:50 pm
Nancy Cordero	Member	Present	12:50 pm
Jenny Binning	Member	Present	12:45 pm
Jean Dordan	Member	Present	12:50 pm
Rich Westfall	Member	Present	12:45 pm
Melinda Rice	Deputy Director PWD	Present	12:50 pm
Lexie Verdugo	Parks and Recreation Manager PWD	Present	12:45 pm
Wayne Forsythe	District 4 Supervisor	Present	12:50 pm
Russ Marks	County Surveyor	Present	12:50 pm

B. Public Comment

1. No public comment.

C. Approval of Minutes

1. Motion to approve minutes from March 14, 2024, meeting made by Jenny Binning. (S) Nancy Cordero.

D. Updates and Reports

1. Update on the revisions to the Mariposa Town Cemetery Policies and Procedures.

Rich Westfall provided his updates to the Mariposa Town Cemetery policies and procedures to Recreation Manager Lexie prior to the meeting. Lexie will review his updates then send to the committee for their review and any additional updates. Will continue until next meeting.

2. Update on the donation of land to the Catheys Valley Cemetery for Mariposa County residents.

Supervisor Forsythe stated he started the conversation with Faris Simon and passed it off to Recreation Manager Lexie to continue the conversation. Lexie informed the committee that she contacted Faris Simon to see if he would be open to donating land to expand the current Catheys Valley Cemetery. Lexie stated that in speaking with Faris Simon, he expressed that he would be amenable to donating land and would like the County to propose what they're asking. County Surveyor Russ Marks provided the

committee with maps showing five different proposals of acreage that the committee could request. After reviewing the options, Rich Westfall made a motion that Supervisor Forsythe and Recreation Manager Lexie propose options 1, 2 and 4 to Faris Simon and request that the land be used for all Mariposa County residents. (S) Jenny Binning. The committee would like for Recreation Manager Lexie to have a conversation with the Catheys Valley Cemetery Committee after the meeting with Faris Simon to express that the plan with the expansion of the current Catheys Valley cemetery site is that the expanded area would be open to all Mariposa County resident internments and that the current cemetery site would remain Catheys Valley residents only.

3. Update on the use of reserved plots within the Mariposa Town Cemetery

Supervisor Forsythe reported that per Steve Dahlem we can use the reserved plots after a period of public notice. The public notice will need to be a 60-day notice posted to the newspaper, website, and other media sources that Parks and Recreation uses. Supervisor Forsythe stated that after the 60-day period, any unclaimed plots would be referred to the County or the District. Member Jenny Binning made a motion to have Recreation Manager Lexie work on getting the public notice drafted and posted to the public for reserved plots to be claimed. (S) Rich Westfall.

4. Action Items

No action items.

5. Next Meeting

Next meeting date will be set once there is an update to provide to the committee.

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:46pm by Bill Bondshu, Committee Chair

Respectfully submitted,
Lexie Verdugo
Parks and Recreation Manager