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**CITY OF LA MARQUE
CEMETERY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Of
August 2, 2018**

Regular Meeting Minutes of the City of La Marque Cemetery Board held on Thursday, August 2, 2018, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at 1109 B Bayou Road with the following members present:

(1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairperson Bim Crowder called meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

(2) ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:

Chairperson Crowder
Board Member Koopmann
Board Member Hanley
Board Member Crockett

ABSENT:

STAFF:

Les Rumburg- Public Service Director
Amanda Hobby- Public Services Project Coordinator

(3) APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL OF ABSENCES - None

(4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Board Member Hanley made a motion to approve the Cemetery Board Meeting minutes of April 5, 2018. Board Member Koopmann seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(5) PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Introduction was made for the new Cemetery Board Member Rosalind Meeks Crockett.

(6) MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT -

Board Member Hanley made a motion to approve the Financial Report
Board Member Koopmann seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

(7) CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION There were none

(8) OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion /possible action - Landscaping at La Marque Cemetery



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Board Member Hanley stated the master gardener coordinator recommends to focus on the install of the benches. Next spring start planting the Jasmine plants and the other colorful flowers around the Cemetery. Work on the roads and concrete work around the flag pole in the early spring of next year 2019. August 6, 2018 at 8 a.m. Chairperson Crowder and Board Member Hanley will meet with Amanda Hobby to show where they want the concrete pads for the benches. Chairperson Crowder asked about the water spicket to be put out at the Cemetery and to have if possible be placed near the flag pole to be able to locate. Chairperson Crowder requests for the pile of dirt is going into the other side of the road and he wants to move with his tractor. The road behind the church has a ditch with culverts in it that is that is holding water, needs to be drained. Board Member Hanley asked about the back of the fence line if they can have the rest of the concrete road have a finish look. Amanda recommended adding limestone from the concrete to the back of the fence lines.

Chairperson Crowder requests for "Stay off the grass" signs be placed out to keep citizens from driving on the Cemetery. Les Rumburg stated we would have to get the ordinance for the Cemetery regulations so it can be placed on the sign and put right at the entry way. Public Services will find the ordinances for driving on the Cemetery and bring to the next Cemetery Board meeting. Les Rumburg suggest for the sign to say, "Vehicle or traffic on authorized roads only." In addition, put a temporary chain across the unauthorized roads that can be easily moved for authorized vehicles when needed. Amanda Hobby suggested bollards be placed on each end with a chain across and board members agreed. Board Member Crockett asked about the form the citizen fills out for the purchasing of the plots if adding a list of infractions like, 1st offense, 2nd offense and having the citizen sign it, so they know the rules and regulations of the Cemetery. Les Rumburg stated that would have to be supported by an ordinance and taken to Council for approval.

(9) NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action regarding registration for Connect CTY and e-notifications messaging.

Board Member Koopmann tabled discussion until next meeting. Board Member Hanley seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

- b. Discussion/possible action regarding whether to allow a cemetery space owner to plant a pecan tree on one of their spaces in the La Marque Cemetery. Board Member Hanley made a motion to approve the planting of the pecan tree on the space owners plot as long as the owner understands the conditions as to taking responsibility of the tree by maintaining it and the tree can be removed if becomes a nuisance to the Cemetery. Board Member Crockett seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**



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- c. Discussion/possible action regarding whether to allow a cemetery space owner to scatter a loved one's ashes over another family members' gravesite in the La Marque Cemetery.

Board Member Koopmann made a motion to approve the Cemetery space owner to scatter a loved one's ashes over another family member's gravesite in the La Marque Cemetery. Board Member Hanley seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- d. Discussion/possible action regarding "Wreaths across America" December 15, 2018.

Board Member Hanley requests for the banner to be placed on the fence this year and in good condition. Board Member Koopmann made a motion that the "Wreaths Across America" is still on for this year. Board Member Crockett seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- e. Discussion/possible action regarding the next Cemetery Board meeting. September 6, 2018 will be the next Cemetery Board meeting.

(10) CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairperson Bim Crowder says everything has been discussed regarding the water spickets, roads, and concrete slabs for the benches. No other board member had anything to add to this report.

(11) REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairperson Bim Crowder welcomed new board member, Rosalind Meeks Crockett to the Cemetery Board.

(12) ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Kurt Koopmann made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m. Chairperson Bim Crowder seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned.


Bim Crowder, Cemetery Board Chairman

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