

Cemetery Board Minutes: June 23, 2014

Meeting called to order at 5:30 in the Montana Realty board room by Dan Gainer.

Members present: Jim Hilderman, Burt Douthit, Dan Gainer, Maryvette Labrie

Members absent: Polly Richter, Jim Bushnell (or designee)

Dan Gainer gave a brief overview of the Cemetery Board and the history of the Red Lodge cemetery. The current city ordinance and draft by-laws were handed out to all members present. There was discussion of the past ordinances and city accounts for the current funds available. With the current ordinance and resolution, the cemetery board is able to look at improving the cemetery and maintaining the grounds in a way fitting for the approximately 5500 residents who now rest there.

The by-laws were read through and approved by the members present. A vote at the next meeting will take place to adopt them as presented.

Burt Douthit made a motion to elect Dan Gainer as Chairman of the committee. Maryvette Labrie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Burt Douthit made a motion to elect Jim Hilderman as Vice-Chairman of the committee. Maryvette Labrie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

There was light discussion on the tasks that need to be done at the cemetery. The committee will assess the list and prioritize what is needed. The mausoleum was identified as the highest priority and work will need to be done as soon as possible. Further discussion and action will occur at the next committee meeting.

The committee set the meeting dates for the second Tuesday of April, July, and October at 5:30 at City Hall as our regular meeting dates. Other meeting times will be scheduled as needed, with the unanimous agreement that several meetings will take place this summer.

Maryvette Labrie reported that she has looked into the possibility of having the mausoleum listed with the National Register. She will follow up with more information as it becomes available. She will also look into possible grant funding sources for the mausoleum.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30. The next scheduled meeting will be July 8th, 2014.

Minutes submitted by Maryvette Labrie

Dan Gainer - Chairman