

**City of Buffalo City – Cemetery Committee Meeting**  
**Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 5p.m. at the Buffalo City Cemetery**

The Cemetery Committee meeting was called to order by Mayor Russ Lorenz. Present: Lorenz, Ben Holien, City Superintendent Stan Meier and City Clerk Jenny Ehlenfeldt.

The Morton-Weinandy Mausoleum was discussed. Mausoleum does need some repair. Meier talking to someone that may know of family. Will look at repairs at budget time if we have funds available.

Lorenz would like Meier to talk to the company we purchase foundations from. They are cracking when we put them in. Meier will contact company and tell them we are not happy.

Meier received an estimate from Vanover Tree Removal for \$1,000 per tree for the 3 large pine trees in the Cemetery. This will be monitored and considered at budget time.

Mausoleum work all complete except new carpet. This will be ordered within the next few weeks. Lorenz said it would be nice if the carpet could be in by Memorial Day. Windows in peak are not painted yet. Meier can't reach without a boom truck. Rental of truck was discussed. Will talk about at budget time.

Johnson monument has completed the cleaning and resetting of several of the worst historical grave stones. Clerk took pictures to send with a thank you to Castlerock Foundation, who donated the funds to have the project done. Committee identified several other stones that they would like to see possibly fixed in the fall or next spring.

Construction of new 20x20 shed to replace the one that needs to be torn down was discussed. Bids will be opened at the May 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. Meier has had a few contractors interested. Note that this construction should not start until after the Memorial Day service. Lorenz would like the colors to match those of the mausoleum walls and roof.

Reminder that the small sections of gate ends at the entrances should be removed as soon as Meier has time. Committee wants to get the entrance opened to make them easier to get in.

Cemetery funds were discussed. Clerk will have current balances at next Council meeting. We will also put the consolidation of Cemetery fund into the General City Fund on the agenda for discussion and action before the next budget cycle. New auditors suggested this to the Clerk. Committee agrees that consolidating the checking accounts and budgeting for the cemetery out of the general fund will work better.

For the Cemetery Committee

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Jenny Ehlenfeldt – Clerk/Treasurer