

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

Department of Public Infrastructure OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

May 23, 2019

This is to inform you that there will be a regular meeting of the New Bedford Cemetery Board. It will be held on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>May 29th</u> at the Department of Public Infrastructure, 1105 Shawmut Avenue, New Bedford, MA 02746 at 6:00 p.m.

Sincerely,

Jamie Ponte Commissioner

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. OPEN SESSION FOR THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK (5 MINUTE LIMIT)
- 4. ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES FROM: March 20, 2018
- 5. CERTIFICATES APPROVED BY BOARD: January 2018- April 2019
- 6. REPORTS
 - a) Commissioners Report- To be given out at meeting
 - b) Financial Report- To be given out at meeting
 - c) Clerks Report- Monthly Burials: January 2018- April 2019
- 7. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) *CemSites Database:* Requesting \$100,000 out of perpetual care for new database program with an additional \$10,000 out of perpetual care for yearly maintenance costs.

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- a. Visual presentation provided by CemSites
- b. Visual demonstration of current program
- b) Eric Jaikes research on flower perpetual care to be capped at 25 years retroactively as well.
- c) Eric Jaikes research on St. Theresa's Land.
- d) Pine Grove Columbarium research.

8. NEW BUSINESS-

- a) Jack Ostiguy, New Bedford Vocational Technical High School Student would like permission to donate 3 benches he will be creating to Pine Grove Cemetery as his Boy Scout Eagle Project.
 - a. Design presented at meeting by student.
- b) Permission to apply for Massachusetts Preservation Projects Funding Grant (MPPF) Grant and Community Preservation Act (CPA) for Oak Grove Public Tomb restoration.
- c) Requesting the following out of perpetual care for section signs throughout cemeteries.
 - a. Pine Grove Cemetery \$2,347.50 for 30 signs
 - b. Rural Cemetery \$4,225.50 for 65 signs
 - c. Oak Grove \$3,208.25 for 41 signs
 - d. Peckham West Cemetery \$469.50 for 6 signs
- d) Requesting \$10,700 out of perpetual care to add new water faucets closer to North side of section
 210 at Rural Cemetery.
- e) Proposing the following fees to be added to pricelist. (prices compared to surrounding areas)
 - a. Extra large grave box: \$725.00
 - b. Child (under 3 years old) grave box: \$290.00
- f) Requesting \$70,000 out of perpetual care for seasonal help effective immediately.
- g) Requesting \$7,000 out of perpetual care for office Intern.
- h) Proposing the next following sections to begin plugging.
 - a. Veterans: Sections 211 and 212
 - b. Singles: Sections 213 and 214
 - c. Doubles and more: Sections 215 and 216
- i) Proposed quarterly meetings going forward.

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- 9. COMMUNICATIONS- None
- 10. TABLE BUSINESS- None
- 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION- None
- 12. ADJOURMENT