

St. Nicholas Cemetery Board Meeting  
Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 p.m. Mike's Place

Present: Doug Caskey, Don Dufner, Steve Stang, Elmer Frank, Ken Lutgen, Ralph Schreiner, Jeff Theis – guest Art Faber

Absent: Mike Lutgen, Dave Stang, Anita Neu, Elmer Neu, Judi Schreiner

Opened with prayer.

Went through Cemetery financial reports.

Reviewed last several Cemetery meeting minutes.

#### North line Brandon Arborvitae planting

- +/- 225 lineal feet – 4 feet apart = 56 trees
  - Do we do this in one year? **YES.**
  - When do we plant – date? 4/27 alternate 5/4
- Get trees from Menards again? **YES**
  - Ken to talk with Ron Stang about employee discount gift cards.
  - Purchase remaining through Lutgen Refrigeration 503c.
- How many volunteers needed?
  - Ralph to organize volunteers.
  - Doug and Allen will layout hole location prior.
  - Start time = 8:00 a.m.
  - Finish time = noonish
- What tools are needed?
  - Auger - Ken
  - Shovels & rakes – personal
  - Ralph to find mulch material & a second loader.
  - Water - Ralph
- Refreshments
  - Judi Schreiner coordinator.
  - Doughnuts coffee and pop for break
  - Pizza at Mike's for lunch
  - Funded by cemetery checking account.

#### Trim center trees

with stone alignment (Ken) & hole filling (Al) if time allows

- How many volunteers needed? = 40 if possible – Ralph to make contact
  - Start time = 8:00
  - Finish time = noonish
  - When = 7/16 alternate 7/20
- What tools are needed?
  - Trimmers - Ralph
  - Rakes & shovels - personal

- Ladders - Ralph
- Trailers & side by sides – Ralph
- Dump location - Ralph
- Bars and belts - Ken
- Refreshments PVT sponsored lunch & break snacks
  - Judi Schreiner coordinator.
  - Doughnuts coffee & pop for break
  - Lunch served, prepared & funded? by PVT.

There was a discussion about honoring start time. It was agreed that when a volunteer shows up at prescribed time, and finds the job half done, they wonder why they even bothered to come. This getting started early action does not promote the working team concept and will in time make getting volunteers difficult.

Vehicle trail = +/- 450 feet

- What do we want? Strip off topsoil and lay back compacted Class 2 material, as per contractor recommendation.
- When do we want it done? Prior to Labor Day
- Should this be done by contractor? **Probably.**
  - Krippner – Peral Lake
  - Weinman – Eden Lake
  - Ron Yanish 320-282-3478

Project chairs are:

Planting - Ralph

Trimming - Ralph

Trail - Doug

- The topic of solar lighting for cemetery feature was tabled.
- Grave locator mapping was tabled.
- Al & Ralph are looking into pressure washing grave markers prior to Memorial Day if possible. They have committee support for this beautification project.

Submitted by Doug Caskey - Chairman