

City of Hastings

COUNTY OF BARRY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

Riverside Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes March 13, 2024

1. Call to Order by Chair Huntley at 3:00 PM at Riverside Cemetery
2. Roll Call: Huntley, Watson, Bever, Hubbell and Tate. Absent: Buehl, Coleman and Tossava. Guest: Josh Wickham
3. Site visit at Riverside Cemetery
 - A. Chapel Conditions Discussion

Discussion and tour of the condition of the chapel. Further discussion will be needed.
 - B. Landscaping Discussion

Discussion of looking into having a landscape company give plans to upgrade the existing landscaping at the primary cemetery entrances. Tate will update on progress.
4. Return to City Hall to Continue Meeting – Second Floor Conference Room
5. Pledge of Allegiance
6. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Watson and supported by Bever to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes, motion carried.
7. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of February 14, 2024

Motion by Watson and supported by Bever to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2024, Riverside Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board meeting. All ayes, motion carried.
8. Public Comment and Communications

None

9. Sexton Update

Josh Wickham was present to give a maintenance update.

10. Unfinished Business

A. Cemetery Memorial Design (Tate)

Documents were provided at the meeting. Public Services Director Tate provided an overview of the proposals and his recommendation. Two motions were made, and both failed to get the required number of votes to move forward.

B. Cemetery Fencing (Hubbell)

Pictures were provided to show the fence has been installed.

11. New Business

A. Barry Community Foundation (BCF) Funds Reports for January 2024 and February 2024

B. Fiscal Year 2024 Revenues and Expenditures through January 31, 2024

C. Memorial Project Accounting as of March 11, 2024

Budget proposal will be part of the next meeting.

12. Board Member Comments

Comments and discussion for getting information on the landscaping companies for the two major entrances to Riverside Cemetery.

13. Public Comment

None

14. Adjourn

Motion by Tate and supported Bever to adjourn the meeting at 4:04PM. Next meeting will be April 10th at City Hall.