

Minutes of a Regular Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Goleta Cemetery District was held:

April 11, 2023, at 4:00 pm

Goleta Cemetery District Office 44 S. San Antonio Rd., Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Present: Terry Dressler, Board Chairman

Gene Geller, Board Vice-Chairman Claudia Chyla, Board Secretary

Rick Bower, District General Manager Carrie Troup, CPA, District Accountant

Absent: None

Business:

1. Meeting called to order @ 4:00 pm. Welcome to all present.

2. Roll Call

Terry Dressler, Board Chairman – Present Claudia Chyla, Board Secretary – Present Gene Geller, Vice-Chairman – Present

3. Public Comment: None

4. Adoption of Agenda:

The Board adopted the agenda as presented. Motion by Mr. Geller, second by Ms. Chyla. Ayes: Chyla, Geller, Dressler. Motion carried.

5. Correspondence / Information for Board:

Trustees - None

District Manager Bower reported on his attending the CAPC Conference in Seaside, CA. He discussed current issues facing the public cemeteries.

6. Approve Draft Meeting Notes March 14, 2023, Regular Board Meeting

Motion by Mr. Geller, second by Ms. Chyla. Ayes: Chyla, Geller, Dressler. Motion carried.

7. Reports – District General Manager and District Accountant:

- **a.** Services for March: 13 (3 Casket / 10 Cremation) 2023 thru March: 31 (13 Casket / 18 Cremation; 2022: 22 (16 / 6)
- **b.** Presentation of District's March monthly financial report by Carrie Troup CPA.

<u>Action Items</u> (The Board will discuss and may take action on the following items):

8. Old Business

The General Manager reported on the progress of the roadway project. He discussed the upcoming review of the contract by the attorney.

9. New Business

- **a.** The General Manager recommended, and the Board approved of the "Cost of living" pay increase for all full-time employees to match 12-month percentage change as of May, 2023 BLS C.P. Index for this area, effective July 1. (February CPI 5.1%.) Motion by Ms. Chyla, second by Mr. Geller. Ayes: Chyla, Geller, Dressler. Motion carried.
- **b.** The General Manager recommended a \$200.00/month "Bi-Lingual Allowance" for qualified grounds personnel. The Board considered the recommendation and will discuss again during the next regular board meeting.
- **c.** The General Manager recommended, and the Board approved of changes to the District fees and charges, effective July 1. Motion by Mr. Geller, second by Ms. Chyla. Ayes: Chyla, Geller, Dressler. Motion carried.
- **10**. Items for next regular meeting June 13, 2023.
 - a. Operations budget for FY July 1, 2023 June 30, 2024
 - **b.** Roadway Project updates
- 11. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned @ 4:58 pm

Respectfully submitted, Rick Bower, Clerk of the Board Goleta Cemetery District Board of Trustees