

# **Friends of Pine Ridge Cemetery**

## **2/28/17 Minutes**

Attendees: G. Schroeder, R. Graham, S. Kent, Carlo Lamberti, Alan Flood, Keith Markstrom, Monica Fall

1. Minutes from the last meeting. Accepted as printed & posted on the website.
2. Legal & Accounting.
  - \* Treasurer's Report as of 1/31.17
  - \* Chemical: \$2250.96, Pay Pal \$243.88, Total \$2494.84
  - \* No balances on credit cards. Will apply for new VISA card to supplement BP Gas and Home Depot cards.
3. Mowing & Maintenance Committee
  - \* Discussed upcoming mowing, trimming and getting new volunteers.
  - \* Damage to Ridge Rd fence and new damage to fence near Jewish Cemetery were discussed. Home Depot to help replace fence labor). Funding to be applied for via grant from Rotary, or fundraiser if needed. Ron to get estimate from fence company. Gerry to apply for grant.
  - \* Solar Lights were discussed. Ron to check on cost of getting one or two lights.
  - \* Home Depot clean up day scheduled for April 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - \* Eagle Scout Project to be done near the cannon. Details not yet available. Cannon balls for cannon area are available as soon as pad is prepared. Project to be completed when weather permits.
  - \* Keith mentioned some possible casual labor thru veterans groups.  
He will let us know when and if that program becomes available.
4. Historic Records- No report
5. Restoration & Recovery
  - \* Ron anticipates many recoveries in 2017
  - \* Crumbling surrounds need attention. Courting volunteers has not worked.  
Suggest getting an estimate to repair one surround, and applying for a grant to cover cost. Gerry will look into that process.
6. Fund Raising Committee
  - \* Fundraiser auction for State Theatre tickets netted \$70
  - \* No other projects since last meeting.
7. Public Relations, Media & Programs.
  - \* Checking to see if we will have a dedication for Memorial Day.  
Suggestion that we invite the public to wear 1800's garb for any ceremony.
  - \* Affiliate Program with the Bay County Historic Museum was again discussed.  
Steve Kent will keep us up to date on progress with that group. They are currently operating with an interim manager and affiliate status will be on hold pending permanent replacement.
  - \* Letterhead was discussed. Steve to talk to a connection about a new design.  
Other options were discussed. Will wait on other ideas pending word from Steve.
  - \* Letter requesting annual funding will be prepared to request operational funding from local corporations that may have programs for that purpose.
  - \* Contact Mlive (Andrew Dodson) for fence story and Memorial Day coverage.

Next Meeting tentative date 3/28/17