

**MINUTES OF THE CEMETERY BOARD OF THE TOWN OF SILVER CITY
REGULAR MEETING
Public Works Administration Building, 610 East 8th St. Silver City, New Mexico
November 18, 2009 - 1:30 p.m.**

Present: Dana Nupp, Chair
Carl Scholl
Rider South

Tom Nupp, alternate Ex Officio for Steve May
Peter Pena, Public Works Director
Linda Nunez, Finance Dept. Representative
Ann L. Mackie, Town Clerk

Not Present: Edward Alvo, Vice-Chair (excused absence due to illness).

CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Nupp called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA – Item B under Unfinished Business was moved to the bottom of the agenda because the Board went to the Cemetery to discuss the location for Baby Land.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – October 28, 2009 Regular Meeting – Mr. Scholl made a motion to approve the minutes. Mrs. Nupp seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

PUBLIC INPUT – Tom Nupp, alternate Ex Officio, commented that he had received a complaint from Mrs. White regarding the maintenance of the Cemetery and how the brown rocks were getting into the white rocks. He said she asked that the Town not touch their plots because they would maintain the plots themselves. Peter Pena, Public Works Director, said the Town replaces rock routinely.

REPORTS

A. Public Works Representative – 1) Update on available grants. Peter Pena did not have any information on available grants that he could provide to the Board. He also reported on the Governor’s Special Session to cut contracts and how each municipality had to justify their projects. He said that the Cemetery project was not on the cut list as of that date. He said they had the funds available for the Rose Street construction and would get started on it, but construction on the second section of the new section would be put on hold pending the Governor’s approval. He said the first section of the new section would be open in January 2010. He stated the new section of the Cemetery would provide approximately 1000 plots with 560 plots being available in the first section. There was further discussion about digging plots and how they would deal with rocks. Mr. Pena also provided the Board with tree information and there was discussion on several types of trees.

B. Chair – None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Discuss the current Cemetery Ordinance No. 1147 and vote on whether to address any changes to the rules and regulations with the Town Manager. The Board discussed the ordinance and how the Town Manager, in consultation with the Board, has the authority to promulgate the rules and regulations of the Cemetery. Those members in attendance, Dana Nupp, Rider South, and Carl Scholl voted unanimously to ask the Town Manager to amend the Rules and Regulations on page 1, Section B. Burials, the first bulleted item, to change the sentence from “All burials, including cremains, must be under the direct supervision of a licensed funeral director.” to “All burials, including cremains, must be under the direct supervision of licensed funeral personnel.”

NEW BUSINESS

A. Schedule the next meeting. The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, January 27, 2010. The Board members said they would like the next meeting agenda to include discussions on trees and the repair of Section C, Space C-2-1 of the Prophet plot.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

B. Discuss and vote on a location for Baby Land in new section. There was discussion on whether the Baby Land section could be placed on the west side of Pyracantha. Peter Pena commented that they had to be sure it was not in the drainage area. The Board members and Peter Pena drove out to the Cemetery and determined that it was a suitable location for Baby Land.

ADJOURNMENT – Mr. Scholl made a motion to adjourn at 2:10 p.m. Mrs. Nupp seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

/s/

Dana Nupp, Chair

Attest:

/s/

Ann L. Mackie, Town Clerk