

**TOWN OF SILVER CITY
MINUTES OF THE CEMETERY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

**Public Works Administration Building, 610 East 8th St. Silver City, New Mexico
October 28, 2015 - 1:30 p.m.**

Present: Elizabeth Miller, Chair
Jeff Fell, Vice-Chair
Rider South
Carl Scholl
Stacy Domino-Mrazik

Also Present: Jesus Alvillar, Parks Supervisor
Olivia Britton, Finance Department
Ann Mackie, Town Clerk

CALL TO ORDER – Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 1:43 p.m. Councilor Cano and Peter Pena, Public Works Director, were absent.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA – None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – August 26, 2015 Regular Meeting – Chair Miller asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Domino-Mrazik moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Scholl seconded. All were in favor, motion carried. **September 23, 2015 Regular Meeting** - Chair Miller asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Domino-Mrazik moved to approve the minutes. Mr. South seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT - None.

REPORTS -

A. Public Works Representative - Mr. Alvillar said Diana Leyba-Ingalls would attend the next meeting to provide an update on the mural project, and that it may start in the Spring.

B. Chair - Chair Miller asked Mr. Alvillar about the dead yuccas that were in the cemetery. There was further discussion about how the Parks Division requested the families to remove the dead yuccas, etc.; problems they have with dead trees; how trees cause damage to copings, etc.; how they are short staffed and have to use a back hoe to dig graves; and how they have to jackhammer through rock in certain parts of the cemetery.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS -

A. Discussion and a motion to approve or disapprove that a sign be erected in the Cemetery that would provide historical information on who Fiske Harsh was and why there is a lane named after him. The Board discussed the sign and how Fiske Harsh was already mentioned in the historical brochure for the Cemetery. No further action was taken.

B. Discussion and a motion to approve or disapprove that historical information about Fiske Harsh be included in the historical brochure for the Cemetery. See Item A. above.

C. Discuss whether the regular meeting dates in November and December should be changed or if the meetings should be canceled due to the holiday season. The Board decided to cancel their meetings in November and December since there was no pressing business and it was during the holiday season. Ms. Britton stated they needed to talk about the time of burials, and she described a difficult situation where a family was okay with a Saturday funeral, but the funeral home insisted that the funeral be held at 7:00 p.m. on a Friday night. There was further discussion about overtime worked by the Parks Division workers, how it went against the rules and regulations time frame, etc., and how they wanted to review the rules and regulations at the next meeting, especially Part III Opening and Closing.

ADJOURNMENT – Vice-Chair Fell made a motion to adjourn at 2:18 p.m. Mr. Scholl seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

Elizabeth Miller, Chair

Attest:

Ann L. Mackie, Town Clerk