

WEST POINT CEMETERY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING, JANUARY 7, 2025
MINUTES

Cemetery Office 6:00 P.M.

Chairman Julio Guerra called the meeting to order. Directors Julio Guerra, Robert (Bob) Stanford and Brian Smith were present. Directors Judy Garcia and Kirk Smith were absent. Also present were Groundskeeper Ritchey Garrison and Clerk Jill Jenkins.

The minutes of the last meeting held on 12/3/2024 were reviewed. Bob made the motion to adopt the minutes as written. Brian seconded the motion. The minutes were adopted with 3 votes.

Correspondence for the month was reviewed. Jill stated the Special District's Financial Transaction Report will be filed with the CA State Controller's Office by Cathy Castillo, CPA. The due date is 1/31/25.

Julio reported he has been in contact with volunteer Julia Costello of the Foothill Resources. She informed that she is still working on the history report for Sandy Gulch Cemetery. Julio thanked Brian for his research through San Andreas Memorial Mortuary which provided a spread sheet for West Point burials from 1870-2000. Brian questioned if we should cross reference with our information to determine if there are any sites without headstones. He said we could put those names on a plaque. Brian said Daneri's Mortuary will not give any history of burials in West Point. He suggested we ask County Counsel to write a letter requesting information from Daneri's Mortuary.

Discussion took place regarding mower friendly marker options. Bob asked Ritchey if he can work the mower through the "unknown pioneer" markers that are already placed. Ritchey stated he can because they are basically lined up and he can drive the mower through the rows. Bob presented a quote for 9 dozen more markers totaling \$954.00. Discussion with general census regarding the markers for the Sandy Gulch Cemetery only, not for the sites discovered on the neighbor's property. Bob stated he's loaned his rotary drill for the cemetery's use. Brian made the motion to purchase 9 dozen markers as quoted for \$954.00. Bob seconded the motion. Ritchey will order them using the Cal Card.

Ritchey reported on 2 possible sites to place the West Point Cemetery sign. He said it could be placed by the podium or by the giant memorial/flag pole. He said for now, the posts are being stored in the storage unit. Ritchey reported that Eldie Bartlett will quote on raising the power lines.

Ritchey said the podium ramp project will need to be put on hold until spring. Brian offered to cut cedar for the ramp when ready to proceed with the project. Ritchey reported the monthly Worker's Compensation safety review was about in-house organization. He said all equipment and tools have been maintained.

The District's monthly payables were reviewed in 2 transmittals: regular bills totaling \$993.83 and Cal Card purchases totaling \$204.57. Bob made the motion to pay both transmittals. Brian seconded the motion. The monthly payables were paid with 3 votes.

Julio stated there is a question regarding a gravesite in Section G. He'll check with Judy for the receipt number.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Jenkins, Clerk