



Cemetery Commission Meeting Agenda

May 20, 2021, 4:30 PM

MEETING CONDUCTED VIA ZOOM

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- I. Approval of Agenda
- II. Approval of Minutes from 4/15/2021 Meeting
- III. Public Forum
- IV. Portrait Panels – Doug Lazarus
- V. Nature Trail/Future possibilities for Greenmount and Schmanska - Cindi
- VI. Staff/Director Items
- VII. Commissioner Items
- VIII. Adjournment



Cemetery Commission Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Thursday, May 20, 2021, 4:30 pm

Commissioners Present: Rita Church, Jennifer Diaz, Nancy Kirby, Mary Wesley

Commissioners Absent: Alexandra Millar

Staff Present: Cindi Wight – BPRW Director

Public Present: Jason Stuffie, Doug Lazarus

Meeting was called to order at 4:39pm

I. Approval of the Agenda

All were in favor of approving the agenda.

II. Approval of Minutes from 4/15/2021

All were in favor of approving the minutes.

III. Public Forum

Public forum was opened at 4:40pm.

Jason Stuffie, a Friend of the Cemetery, discussed the volunteer work he does at Greenmount Cemetery.

Public forum was closed at 4:45pm

IV. Portrait Panels – Doug Lazarus

Doug Lazarus presented a proposal to install twelve art panels in Lakeview Cemetery representing individuals buried in Lakeview. The cost would be approximately \$8,000 - \$9,000 per panel. The artist would receive \$5,000 per panel with the remainder expenses related to the installation. Doug would take the lead on the fundraising.

Commission feedback

- Represent everyday people and not just famous people who have stories written about them already. Possibly a mix of people. Important to have a diverse selection.
- Friends of the Louisa Howard Chapel might know names
- Possible for the community to bring forth names?
- Would want to include BCA as it is art. Jennifer will check with her BCA contact
- Request Doug to give a budget. Some Commissioners thought it was a fundraiser for the Cemetery and not raising funds for an artist to do his work
- A Commissioner would need to take the lead to oversee the project.



V. Future Greenmount Expansion

Cindi showed pictures of a nature trail burial area at a cemetery near Rochester, NY and identified an area of Greenmount where it might work for a similar situation in the future.

VI. Staff/Director Items

Cindi presented the BPRW Volunteer of the Year plaque to Nancy for her contributions to Greenmount Cemetery

VII. Commissioner Items

Nancy requested the barriers for Greenmount similar to what is at Schmanska. She also mentioned there is interest from an individual to place bee hives at Greenmount in the back area and that the grass has not been mowed yet at Greenmount.

Rita shared her request for trash barrels at Lakeview by Memorial Day weekend. Cindi noted additional trash barrels are on order but we don't know when they will arrive. Rita also shared the Friends concern about deteriorating conditions inside the Chapel. Cindi noted that our Parks Facilities manager is on vacation but when he returns he will take a look at the situation.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:24pm. The next meeting will be held via zoom and in person on a date TBD.