At a meeting of the Trustees of the Edgewood Cemetery held September 25, 2019 the following trustees were present; Chairman Tom Maffee, Vice-Chairman Doug Barker, Andrew Armstrong, Carl Andrade, Charlie Hall, Morgan Hollis, Brian Law and Kevin Slattery, Mayor Jim Donchess trustee ex-officio. Ward Alderman Richard Dowd and Cheryl Lindner, Mayor's Chief of Staff were also present as well as a few residents. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 3:00PM.

After reviewing the minutes of the August 2019 meeting Doug Barker moved to accept the minutes as printed, seconded by Morgan Hollis. The motion carried.

The Chairman turned the floor over to the Mayor. Mayor Donchess reported that the city had approved funds up to $10,000 to contract with Halvorson Design to provide a landscape design for the northeast corner of the cemetery that has been cleared for grave spaces but that at this time no contract had been signed. After some discussion regarding the immediate future for this area to remove the stumps and stabilize the soil Morgan Hollis moved “To have Jennings Excavation excavate the stumps, load onto trailers for onsite disposal, haul the stumps to the legal disposal site, fill the stump holes, sub grading the existing topography (to as minimum an extent as possible) with the onsite material (cost of $6550 plus the per trailer load cost of $975.00 per load) and have Jennings Excavation provide a quote for seeding the area with a contractor grade grass seed. Brian Law agreed to second the motion if it was amended to include the removal of the single tree remaining in the area. This was accepted by Morgan Hollis and Brian Law seconded the amended motion. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Morgan Hollis voiced some concerns regarding a possible conflict of interest with the city paying Halvorson Design and the Board wishing to have control of what the final version of their plan would be. He felt that the body planning the development should have control over it. Morgan thought that although it would be a duplication of effort that the cemetery Board could contract with their landscape designer while the city contracted with Halvorson Design to use both designs to arrive a compromise of the two. The Mayor responded that he didn’t see an issue but suggested that both the city and the cemetery Board could sign the contract with Halvorson.
Carl Andrade spoke in favor of the Mayor’s suggestion that both parties sign a contract with Halvorson to provide a design, recognizing the Board had final approval on any design, and made a motion “That the cemetery Board and the city together contract with Halvorson to provide a landscape design for the area to be developed, payment being from the City’s approved funds. This was seconded by Charlie Hall and was unanimously approved.

Morgan Hollis moved “That the supt. secure two quotes other that Jennings Excavation for seeding of the area to be stabilized.” This was seconded by Doug Barker. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

The chairman asked if there was any other business to come before the board. There being none Doug Barker moved to adjourn, seconded by Morgan Hollis. The meeting was adjourned at 4:15PM.

A true copy attest,

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Jeffrey L. Snow, Acting Secretary