

Staff present: Carl Petersen, DPW Director, April Holm, DPW Office Manager, and Tim Dellangelo - Parks.

Council Liaison: Councilmember Scanlon was absent.

Present:, Dr. Stephen Piereson, Christine Moffat, Tracy Magnuson and Karen Kasper (4).  
Absent: John Carlson

The Ishpeming Cemetery Board meeting was held on Monday, January 20, 2020 at the City Hall Break Room. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Member Piereson.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – None.

### **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

A motion was made by Member Kasper, supported by Member Magnuson and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of January 20, 2020 as presented.

### **CEMETERY REPORT**

Tim Dellangelo summarized the cemetery report. He reported that the we are fairly busy with burials and lot sales this summer. He let everyone know that they have pulled all the bushes around the Columbarium and getting them ready to put the stamped concrete down.

April Holm brought up an issue that they are having with the new columbarium and drilling the panels to allow for the marker to be placed. The material used is different from the other columbariums which is resulting in many broken drill bits per plate. Ryan Martinac has been bringing them to Stone Reflections to get drilled out. Currently the cemetery is absorbing the additional cost but he proposed that if we increase the rate of the columbarium by \$20 it would cover the additional expense.

A motion was made by Tracy Magnuson to increase the rate by \$20 for each niche sold in the columbarium to cover the cost of drilling. The motion was supported by Karen Kasper and was carried unanimously.

### **OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

Member Piereson introduced an email from an alum of Ishpeming. The email was from Rolfe Lindberg and he stated that would like to take on the project of building a separate website for the Ishpeming Cemetery. He said that he can make the website more user friendly than our current version. The only costs associated with the website would be about \$200 per year for the domain name and web hosting. He even offered to cover the charges associated with building the website the first year. Everyone was onboard with this and wanted the issue brought up to City Hall to see if this would be something that the City of Ishpeming would like to pursue. This item will be added to the agenda for the next meeting in September.

Karen Kasper advised everyone that due to the current situation with COVID 19 she has decided to cancel the Cemetery Tours for the summer and is hoping to resume them next year.

**NEXT MEETING DATE AND PLACE**

The next meeting will be held September 21, 2020, in the Ishpeming City Hall Conference Room.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 3:30 p.m., a motion was made by Member Magnuson with support from Member Kasper to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

April Holm  
Recording Secretary