The Ishpeming Cemetery Board meeting was held on Monday, November 18, 2024, at the Ishpeming City Hall Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Member Magnuson.

Staff present: Bill Anderson-DPW General Foreman, Kaleb Rundman-Assistant Foreman Cemetery Parks and April Holm-Treasurer. Council Liaison: Raquelle Ball-DPW and Councilmember Scanlon were absent.

Present: Tracy Magnuson, Jim Bertucci, and Karen Kasper (3). Absent: Nichole Nelson (1). There is 1 vacant seat.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Member Bertucci, supported by Member Kasper and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of September 16, 2024 as presented.

CHAIR/VICE CHAIR VOTE

A motion was made by Member Magnuson to appoint persen chair and Jim Bertucci as Vice Chair with support from Member Bertucci. The motion was carried unanimously.

FENCE UPDATE

There is still I section of the fence that needs to be fixed.

COLUMBARIUM UPDALE

The order for the columbariums was been praced with Menominee Granite. There was an additional cost added of \$2800 for the project because the bid did not include the sandblasting/etching of the name or picture.

CEMETERY REPORT

Everything in the Cemetery has been winterized.

In the spring, the Cemetery will be purchasing a few new lawn mowers and another golf cart for the students to use.

The board would like the following topics on the next meeting agenda:

- naming the new columbariums,
- discussing rates
- new location ideas for the next columbarium since the existing location would be full with this purchase of 2.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Kaleb Rundman – Assistant Foreman Cemetery/Parks wanted to discuss the current burial policy. Currently the cemetery charges an interment fee for an urn and/or a casket burial. Recently we have had urns in which there are 2 people and they are charged a single interment fee even though the paper work and record keeping are for 2 people. He would like the board to consider increasing the burial rate based on that. Member Magnuson made a motion to charge interment fees per person interred instead of per urn. The motion was supported by Member Bertucci. The motion was carried unanimously.

Also, the limit of people in a lot space remains 3. An example would be if you had an interment with 2 people in 1 urn then there would be space for 1 more person.

DPW Director Bill Anderson gave an update on the GIS project. Tri Media should be wrapping up the next phase of the mapping project. He is hoping to have Tri Media do a presentation of everything that has been done so far.

NEXT MEETING DATE AND PLACE

The next meeting will be held January 20, 2024, at Ishpeming City Half.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3:25 p.m., a motion was made by Member Magnuson with support from Member Kasper to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted.

April Holm

City Treasurer