

Cemetery Board  
October 1, 2009

A regular meeting of the Waxahachie Cemetery Board was held on Thursday, October 1, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. in the City Council Conference Room, 401 South Rogers, Waxahachie, Texas.

Members Present: Jack Curlin, Chairperson  
Peggy Spalding  
Connie McGuire  
Jerry Carter

Member Absent: Holly Davis

Others Present: John Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation  
Lori Saunders, City Secretary

Others Absent: Mayor Ron Wilkinson, Council Representative

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Chairman Jack Curlin called the meeting to order and welcomed new members Mrs. Connie McGuire and Mr. Jerry Carter and thanked them for showing interest in the City Cemetery. He recognized the outgoing Board members, Rosemary Alderdice and Debra Wakeland and stated he appreciated their dedicated service to the Board.

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**Ms. Peggy Spalding nominated Mr. Jack Curlin to serve as Chairman of the Cemetery Board.**  
Mr. Jerry Carter seconded, **All Ayes.**

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**Ms. Peggy Spalding moved approval of the minutes of the City Cemetery Board meeting of August 6, 2009.** Mr. Jerry Carter seconded, **All Ayes.**

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Parks and Recreation Director John Smith introduced Mr. Thompson to give an update on his son's Eagle Scout project. Mr. Thompson reported his son, Colt Thompson, presented his Eagle Scout project to the City Council earlier this year requesting to building a "Rest of Reflection" area in the older section of the City Cemetery. Mr. Thompson noted the area is dedicated to veterans as well as active military. He presented a design of the project and noted his son has been able to get most of the landscaping donated and is working on raising money for a monument. Metal benches will be constructed to depict the benches in the new portion of the cemetery.

Mr. Smith discussed street signage throughout the cemetery and distributed hand-outs depicting different types of signs and costs. He noted signage will assist with navigating through the cemetery. He suggested the Board consider black poles with brown historic signs.

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The board discussed the concerns of the cemetery when the lots fill up. Mr. Smith noted over the next few years the Cemetery Board will need to look at acquiring land.

Mr. Smith reported, through the city tree planting project, he will plant two trees in the cemetery. He distributed a map of the family estates and announced they are available for sale. He explained the lots are 20x20 and will allow for ten (10) standard burials. He noted double stacking is allowed in the family estates. Mr. Smith announced Iris' will be planted at the entrance of the cemetery.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Saunders

City Secretary