

**PALM SPRINGS CEMETERY DISTRICT
MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING**

DATE: January 8, 2015

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

PLACE: 31-705 Da Vall Drive, Cathedral City, CA 92234

1. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Pye at 2:00 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Jan Pye, Chair
Lenny Pepper, Vice Chair
John M. Lea, Secretary
George Stettler, Treasurer
Jane Alcumbrac, Member

Also Present: Kathleen Jurasky, District Manager
Steven Quintanilla, Quintanilla & Associates

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Dan Seward addressed the Board with his concerns regarding loud music, drinking alcohol, football games, speeding and other disruptive activities at Desert Memorial Park. He stated that the serenity and peacefulness of the cemetery was reason he buried his wife here. Mr. Seward said that he visits every day, and expressed how unsettling these activities are for him.

The Board stated that they were very grateful for his attendance and him making them aware of his concerns. District Manager Jurasky stated that she is currently working with the Cathedral City Police department to address these issues.

District Manager Jurasky was directed to arrange a meeting with the Board and George Crum the new Cathedral City police chief to acquaint him with District operations and personally discuss these issues with him.

The Board thanked Mr. Seward for his attendance and invited him to attend the meeting with the Cathedral City Police chief. He said that he would certainly attend the meeting. District Manager Jurasky was directed to contact him when the meeting is scheduled.

4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA Motion was made by Trustee Stettler, seconded by Trustee Pepper to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried, vote 5-0 Alcumbrac, Lea, Pepper, Pye and Stettler.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR Trustee Stettler requested that item 5b be pulled for discussion. Motion was made by Trustee Pepper, seconded by Trustee Stettler to approve the Consent Calendar with item 5b removed for discussion. Motion carried, roll call 5-0 Alcumbrac, Lea, Pepper, Pye and Stettler.

Item 5b – Trustee Stettler expressed his concerns regarding the high cost of electricity. Following a discussion District Manager Jurasky was directed to investigate the possibility of converting to solar (Well #4 in particular), an energy survey by SCE and other energy alternatives. This will be a future agenda item when information for discussion is available.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE CALENDAR **a. Election of Officers** Following a discussion motion was made by Trustee Pepper, seconded by Trustee Lea to approve the re-election of the current slate of officers for 2015. Motion carried, vote 5-0 Alcumbrac, Lea, Pepper, Pye and Stettler.

b. District Investments General Overview & Update – Neal Wilson, Vice President Investments Union Banc
Trustee Stettler stated that he has been reviewing the investment reports and the investments look good and are continuing to generate income.

Neal Wilson's update was deferred to the February 2015 board meeting.

c. Review for Discussion and Approval Proposals from Appraisers to Appraise the PSCD East 40 Acre Property Leased by Da Vall Center, LLC. District Manager Jurasky presented and reviewed the proposals with the Board. Following a discussion motion was made by Trustee Pye, seconded by Trustee Pepper to approve the proposal in the amount of \$3,400.00 from Dozier Appraisal Company. Motion carried, roll call 5-0 Alcumbrac, Lea, Pepper, Pye and Stettler.

d. CAPC Annual Conference March 26-28, 2015 in San Luis Obispo, CA Motion was made by Trustee Stettler, seconded by Trustee Lea to approve Trustees, District Manager and selected Staff attending the CAPC Annual Conference on March 26-28, 2015 in San Luis Obispo, CA. Motion is to include all necessary expenses. Motion carried, roll call 5-0. Alcumbrac, Lea, Pepper, Pye and Stettler.

7. **LEGISLATIVE** - None

8. **BOARD DEVELOPMENT** a. California Special District Association (CSDA) Benefits & Services Trustees Pepper discussed the availability of taking sexual harassment and ethics training through webinars with CSDA.

9. **PUBLIC HEARING CALENDAR** - None

10. **REPORTS** a. **Trustee Report** - Trustee Stettler stated that he would like to see the opening of the double yellow lines widened at the Da Vall entry. District Manager Jurasky reported that when the street improvements occurred there was not an opening and she requested the city make an opening. She was informed by the City public works that an opening would be made to match up with the width of the entry, which was done.

b. **Manager Report** - District Manager Jurasky reported that she was contacted by Frank Dallin, an Eagle Scout with Troop 305 California Inland Empire Sunrise District Indio proposing to photograph headstone for scouts to earn badges. The photos would be uploaded to the Billion Graves website which is used for genealogy research. Following a discussion the Board gave approval for the project.

11. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** a. **Discussion in 2015/2016 Possible Cap on PSCD Monthly Employer Contribution for Employee Health Insurance Premiums** No action taken

b. **Postcard Survey Mailing to the Community to Determine Pre-Planning Needs** No action taken

c. **Strategic Planning Study Session** No action taken

d. **Discussion for Possible Pet Cemetery** No action taken

12. **CLOSED SESSION - READING OF THE SAFE HARBOR LANGUAGE** – Safe Harbor language was read by Steven Quintanilla the District's general legal counsel. Convened into Closed Session at 3:02 P.M.

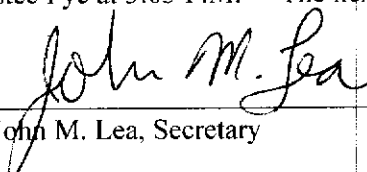
a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Regarding Potential Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9: (one case)

Returned to Open Session at 3:03 P.M.

13. **CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS** – No Reportable Action

14. **ADJOURNMENT** Meeting was adjourned by Trustee Pye at 3:03 P.M. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for 2:00 P.M., Thursday, February 12, 2015.

DATE: 2-12-15


John M. Lea, Secretary