

## **Mendenhall Cemeteries Association, Inc.**

Annual Meeting 2024/Q3 2024 Meeting

Tuesday/July 16, 2024

Family Life Center/First Baptist Church, Mendenhall

5:02PM

### **Members present:**

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| • David Massey    | • Tommy Lee           | • Jeff Scott                   |
| • Miriam Hopkins  | • Reenie Williamson   |                                |
| • Betty Sue Smith | • Curtis Boyte        | <b><u>Cemetery Curator</u></b> |
| • Judy Palmer     | • Gaye Magee Sullivan | • Allan Rankin                 |

Tommy Lee opened the MCA meeting in prayer.

### **Review of 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes**

Minutes from the Annual Meeting of 07/18/2023 were reviewed. Gaye Magee Sullivan seconded motion to accept and minutes were accepted, no objections.

### **Financials of 2023**

Judy Palmer presented the quarterly financials as of 06/30/2024.

Tommy Lee made motion to accept and Gaye Sullivan seconded. Financials accepted, no objections.

- Judy Palmer noted MCA had a good year financially.
- Expenses were down because the 2023 summer drought created situation where grass cutting was not needed.

### **AGENDA ITEMS:**

- Look at contributions of younger profiles and encourage giving to MCA

### **Approval of Annual Financials**

- Motion by Jeff Scott to accept 2023 Annual Financials; Seconded by Tommy Lee – All approved.

### **Review of Annual Newsletter**

1. Bahia Grass
  - a. Perry Lee has already sprayed bahia grass once to eliminate it
2. Stump Grinding
  - a. Alan Rankin, Curator, commented that the grinding is done in phases/shifts.
  - b. Rye grass was planted and it is a favorite of deer
  - c. Perry Lee disked rye grass once and ground is now ready to plant Bermuda grass in the stump area between Sheriff's Office and Cemetery.
3. Jeff Scott will organize a workday for clean-up at the cemetery when we have cooler weather.
4. Community Engagement – WAA (Wreaths Across America)
5. Signage
  - a. Curtis Boyte will re-do the rusted screws on signage
6. Website and signage upgrades
  - a. MCA receives immediate inquiries when the digital Newsletter is sent

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**Review of Annual Newsletter – continued**

7. Plot Sales
  - a. Jeff Scott will takeover the Plot sales
  - b. Burial site is flagged by David so family can see the site/family plot, then meets with the family at the Courthouse with the deed
8. Allan Rankin wants to entertain the idea to bushhog lower area of Section E and get rid of the ruts
  - a. Curtis motioned to accept/approve the bushhogging; Betty Sue seconded. All Board members agreed to expense item of \$500. If over \$500, all Board members will be polled.

**Open Items**

- MCA Board needs new members
  - MCA Board Member John Coleman recently passed away – one of his assignments was overseeing the mowing of cemeteries
  - Full-time position of Gaye Magee Sullivan will be auxiliary/remote
  - Several names of possible recruits were presented for consideration.
    - Reenie will confer with President Massey on names

**Next MCA meeting – Tuesday/October 15, 2024**

Meeting adjourned at 6:00PM