

**PIONEERS' CEMETERY ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING MINUTES
SMURTHWAITE HOUSE/WEBEX**

Thursday, May 5, 2022

PCA Board Members present:

Smurthwaite House

Patty Gault, President

Debe Branning

Donna Carr

Sterling Foster

Mark Lamm

Cindy Lee

Sally Pavia

WebEx

Jenn Merry

Margy Parisella

Ileen Snoddy

Val Wilson

PCA Board Members absent:

Marie Fenske

PCA Advisory Board Members present:

Smurthwaite House

Kim Kasper

WebEx

Lance Gray

PCA Advisory Board Members absent:

Ryan Vander Ark

Frank Barrios

Marshall Shore

Judy Smith

PCA Members present:

Denise Foster

WebEx

Lezlee Alexander

Discussion/Action

- **Call to order:** President Patty Gault called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.
- **Approval of April 2022 Minutes:** President Patty Gault
 - a. Minutes accepted as amended
- **Treasurers Report:** Val Wilson
 - a. Beginning Balance -- \$19,937.42
 - b. Ending Balance -- \$25,596.26
 - c. Surplus -- \$5,782.92

OLD BUSINESS

- **Jacob Waltz Activities:** Mark Lamm

- a. Mark Lamm presented t-shirts which were printed regarding Jacob Waltz with the intention to sell the shirts to be utilized for fundraising for the Jacob Waltz site improvement
 - b. **Discussion:** The t-shirts were printed without the PCA Board reviewing and approving the design. It was stated that both Mark and Vivia Strang paid for the t-shirts/printing. Further discussion was held as there appears to be a misspelling on the t-shirt (metaphorically as opposed to proper noun location) and no formal proposal has been approved by the PCA Board regarding the improvements to the Jacob Waltz site. Members of the board were hesitant to approving the selling of the t-shirts as a fundraising effort. Additional discussion was tabled until the June 2022 PCA Board meeting.
- **Memorial Day Event:** Sterling Foster
 - a. Information about the event will be placed on Face Book and the PCA website
 - b. American flags will be placed on Veteran and Mason grave sites
 - c. Open House type of event
 - d. Volunteers are needed
- **Sotello/Heard Cemetery:** Mark Lamm
 - a. Meeting with Joe Diaz (City of Phoenix) regarding the property will be held on May 13th
- **Frank Moss Grave Marker:** Sterling Foster
 - a. There is a piece (maybe ornamental or fraternal insignia) which is missing off the top of the marker
 - b. Frank Moss was a man of importance in Phoenix
 - Councilman
 - Mayor
 - Fire Fighter
 - c. It is unknown what the missing element was as no image has been located to date that show what is missing
 - Mark said he would pay for a 9X9 aluminum plaque to place on top of the marker
 - d. **Discussion:** Val Wilson said through some of her research it could have been a copper fraternal plaque as she located something similar from a Fraternal Order in Kentucky. Further discussion as Cindy Lee pointed out that the holes can be filled (per preservation approved materials) in the marker to prevent further erosion and since it is historic, we must not rush to place something on the marker. Margy Parisella (City Preservation Office) was not able at that moment to make a determination regarding preservation efforts. Jenn Merry suggested interpretive signage next to the site that tells of Mr. Moss' accomplishments. Mark withdrew his offer to pay and the plaque was removed from consideration.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Memorial Markers:** Sterling Foster
 - a. Ordered 5 clay markers
 - Four (4) were paid for by PCA
 - One (1) was paid for by the family
- **Maintenance:** Sterling Foster
 - a. Clean up around the Jacob Waltz site
 - Channel 12 came out to film
 - Bee issue near the site – be careful
 - b. Homeless encampment on site
 - Sterling handled getting the area cleaned up – thank you
 - Cindy Lee reported that 3 stones were knocked down; damage occurred; and pieces were stolen
 - Notified Community Action Officer
- **Ice Cream Social:** Patty Gault
 - a. September 24th
 - b. Membership drive/Open House
- **Historian's Report:** Patty Gault
 - a. 5038 Volunteer Hours for 2021
 - \$143,784 if hours were converted to payment
 - b. Sterling noted this why it is important to report volunteer hours
 - Thanked everyone for their continued time and efforts
- **Quarterly meeting with City of Phoenix/Joe Diaz:** Patty Gault
 - a. Please forward any concerns/questions to Patty so that she may note them in the meeting
 - b. Quarterly meeting with homeless shelter/Human Services Campus was reported on by Patty.

Next PCA Board meeting will be held on June 2 and then a break for the summer.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am