

DeFuniak Springs Cemetery Board  
Special Meeting  
July 21, 2015

The following members were present: Mayor Bob Campbell, and Cemetery Board Members Lee Thomas and Jack Owen, City Manager Sara Bowers, Assistant City Manager Tilman Mears, Municipal Services Supervisor Craig Drake, Municipal Services Worker Darren Donaldson and City Clerk Loretta Laird.

Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at 5 p.m.

**Meeting Minutes**

**June 4, 2015 Special Meeting**

The special meeting minutes from the June 4, 2015, were presented for approval.

***Cemetery Board member Thomas made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Cemetery Board member Owen. Motion carried 3-0.***

**Citizen Comments**

No comments were made.

**Streets/Sanitation/Grounds Maintenance Supervisor, Craig Drake**

**Cemetery ordinance**

Streets/Sanitation/Grounds Maintenance Supervisor Craig Drake discussed the proposed changes throughout the current cemetery ordinance and requested if there were any additions to the changes.

Discussion occurred relating to what type of document is received from the city when a burial plot is purchased with the following changes suggested on page three under section 6-1.6 item 3. The last sentence should be changed as follows: "Individual(s) burial plot owners have the right to maintain existing trees and shrubs on their own-property family designated lot. Additional changes were made removing reference to the old and new section(s) and having the section items numbered in successive order.

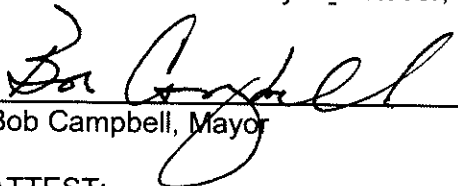
Committee member Lee Thomas discussed vault requirements as tabled at the June 4, 2015, special meeting and recommended we keep a vault requirement for the cemetery due to wild animals like coyotes are digging up burial plots that are not encased in a vault.

Committee member Thomas further discussed the current 2015 fiscal year budget and inquired to the proposed 2016 fiscal year budget. Thomas inquired to increasing the current cemetery plot rates to generate additional revenue for the city.

Discussion occurred relating to holding a special meeting to review the changes as requested. Consensus of the board was to have a special meeting on August 4, 2015, at 5 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for October 20, 2015.

There being no further business, Mayor Campbell adjourned the meeting at 5:38 p.m.

ADOPTED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015

  
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Bob Campbell, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Loretta A Laird, City Clerk