

## Minutes of the St. Clement Cemetery Board, January 18, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President, David Korte, at 7 pm. Members present were: David Korte, President, Gerald Luebrecht, Vice-president, Larry Twellman, Secretary/Treasurer, Fern Grote, Chris Hummel and Pastor Fr. Henry Ussher. Fr. Ussher opened the meeting with a prayer.

Gerald Luebrecht moved to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2023 regular meeting of the board as presented. Fern Grote seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Larry Twellman presented the Financial Report. The board has invested with the Diocese of Jefferson City \$55,908.48 in a CD that matures in April 2024; \$318,244.04 in a CD that matures in October 2024; \$50,826.09 in a CD that matures in March 2025; and \$68,837.23 in a Demand Account. The total amount invested with the Diocese is \$493,815.84 as of January 1, 2024. In addition, the board has \$17,710.75 in a Money Market Account with Community State Bank. The total of the investments with the Diocese and with CSB is \$511,526.59. David Korte moved to approve the Financial Report as presented. Gerald Luebrecht seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Chris Hummel moved to invest \$55,000 in April in a short term CD, with a maturity of 12 months or less, with Community State Bank if the rate of interest to be earned is 4% or greater; and if that rate of interest is not available to invest the amount with the Diocese. Larry Twellman seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Larry Twellman moved to transfer \$10,000 from the Money Market Account with Community State Bank to the Demand Account with the Diocese. Chris Hummel seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Larry Twellman reported that about 315 postcards were sent out in October to cemetery patrons asking for donations for the upkeep of the cemetery. As of January 10, donations from 164 patrons have been received totaling \$6,745.

13 burials have taken place in the cemetery from July 1, 2023 through January 15, 2024. 16 grave spaces have been sold during that same time period.

Excel maps of the cemetery should be completed soon. The area behind the Crucifixion Scene has been difficult to map.

The committee working to present the Fried Chicken Dinner as a parish fundraiser does not anticipate using the cemetery road as a holding area.

The consensus of the committee was to take no further action on the offer made to Mike Adams for the former Luebrecht property south of the cemetery.

According to the Diocesan offices, there are only three Catholic cemeteries with a columbarium in the Diocese. Those are in Moberly, Cuba, and Camdenton. The consensus of the committee

was to continue looking into the possibility of installing a columbarium in our cemetery at some time in the future.

Gerald Luebrecht nominated David Korte to be president of the cemetery board. Larry Twellman moved that nominations cease and that David Korte be elected as president by acclimation. Gerald Luebrecht seconded and the motion passed 4-1.

David Korte nominated Gerald Luebrecht to be vice-president of the cemetery board. Larry Twellman moved that nominations cease and that Gerald Luebrecht be elected as vice-president by acclimation. David Korte seconded and the motion passed 4-0 with one abstention.

Gerald Luebrecht moved that the board continue with the current fees for grave sites. Fern Grote seconded and the motion passed 5-0. Chris Hummel moved that the fee for the digging of and the closing of a grave for cremains by members of the cemetery board be increased from \$50 to \$70. That fee will be waived if members of the family of the deceased dig and close the grave. Larry Twellman seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

Chris Hummel moved to schedule the next regular meeting of the Cemetery Board for Thursday, July 18, 2024 at 7 pm in the Parish Center. Larry Twellman seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

David Korte moved to adjourn the meeting. Gerald Luebrecht seconded and the motion carried 5-0. Fr. Ussher thanked the cemetery board for their work and then led the closing prayer and the meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.