

Pioneer Cemetery Commission
Work Event and Meeting
August 06, 2019

The following members were present for a work event and meeting on this day, August 06, 2019 taking place at the Patterson Cemetery: Chairperson Lee Embretson and commission members Myra Voss, Bruce Collins and Leon Dibble. Also present was friend of the commission, Frank Pippen.

The work at the Patterson Cemetery started about 5:30 PM with significant tree trimming of downed and damaged tree limbs near a grave stone site. That was followed by the resetting of several grave stones in newly poured foundations.

The official meeting was called to order afterwards by Chairperson Lee Embretson at 8:15 PM.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved with one addition and one correction. The addition was the name of the donor for the McClelland Cemetery: Nancy Bleil. The correction was related to the King Cemetery: the name Lawrence King and Linda King should have been Lawrence Fox and Linda Fox.

The first order of business was the discussion of the **McClelland Cemetery**. I (Bruce Collins) presented documents showing a proposal for a sign for this cemetery to be placed along Highway 52 showing the name of the cemetery and the general direction of where the cemetery was located, which is in the middle of a farm field. The quote for the sign and the bracket for the sign was \$350.42. This quote does not include the post for the sign.

Lee Embretson said he had a discussion with Joe Tuecke from Alliant Energy which has utilities next to where the proposed sign would be placed and he (Tuecke) had no issues with having the sign there. Lee also said he would have a discussion with Doug Palmer, the renter of the field surrounding the cemetery to see if he (Palmer) was OK with the sign.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to go ahead and place the order for the sign for McClelland Cemetery as presented if Lee Embretson gets the OK from the land renter, Doug Palmer.

Related to the **Eastman Cemetery** I (Bruce Collins) showed pictures of the tornado damage done a year or two ago to the decorative arched gate of the cemetery. Lee Embretson said he would discuss with a Mr. Moran having the gate repaired.

There followed a general discussion of our work agenda for the remainder of 2019. The consensus was that we would focus on the **Redman Cemetery**. The fencing material has been purchased and a sign has been made ready for installation once the fenced area has been completed. It was also noted that the project will require significant time and that at some point we should plan on spending most of a whole work day working there. The conclusion was that we would leave it to Lee to coordinate with and advise the committee members when we would start work on this project.

At 9:00 PM working with the aid of a flashlight in the dark a motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn.

Bruce Collins
Secretary
Pioneer Cemetery Commission