

Fountain County Cemetery Commission
Minutes for meeting on 3-6-2008

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Meeting started at 6:00 pm

Valerie Runion led the prayer

American Pledge was not recited, as there was no available flag.

Roll Call: Present were Jasper Fogleman, Valerie Runion, Ed Moyer, and Dale Cushman, and Terry Hardin.

Visitors present: Kim Martin, Dennis Olin, Loretta Livengood, Sharon Roberts, Robert Shepherd, and Carol Owens.

Minutes of the last meeting was read, approved unanimously, and signed.

Treasurer's Report: \$50.00

Mail Call: No new mail

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Van Buren Township:
 - a. Birch Cemetery-Was originally called Colvert Cemetery. Therefore it will now be referred to as Birch-Colvert Cemetery.
 - b. Telephone call received from Aegnia Hunter who lived by the cemetery. She knows the history of the cemetery and knows the exact location of the graves. She will meet with the FCCC at the cemetery at a later date. She has a deed dated during WWII that has cemetery located.
 - c. Telephone call received from Bob Clauson who took some of the stones from the cemetery to his house when the tower was being built, for safekeeping. Will return the stones to the FCCC at a later date to be reset on the graves.
2. Cain Township:
 - a. Old Town Cemetery-Tree removal to begin on March 22, 2008.
3. Troy Township:
 - a. Poor Farm Cemetery-FCCC will re-route the mud run. FCCC must fill out the application sent by DNR. DNR will then do the inspection. The county is responsible for the work done, as it is county property.
 - b. It is discovered that the cemetery is approximately one full acre.
 - c. It is discovered that there are also Indians buried in the cemetery.
 - d. Two stones were found and recorded.
 - e. DeHaven Cemetery-No report.
4. Davis Township:
 - a. Maysfield Cemetery-No report.
5. Shawnee Township:

- a. Rob Roy Cemetery-Cleanup has begun on the cemetery.
- 6. Jackson Township:
 - a. Jackville Cemetery-Town meeting will be called at a later date to try to release some of the funds for cleanup.
 - b. Owner around the cemetery wants to use the brush to build a bird sanctuary.
 - c. Owner will allow access to cemetery as long as the number of people is kept to a minimum and in accordance with the law.
 - d. Sprague, a.k.a. Indian Bend Cemetery-Possibly located. This is an Indian Burial Site with possibly a few white people.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. By-laws were changed, voted on unanimously, and unanimously approved.
 - a. Change from second Thursday of the month to the first Thursday of the month.
 - b. Change location from American Legion Post 288 to D'Arlier Cultural Center.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Telephone call received from Mr. Burke. He claims to have located a cemetery North of Covington between Trojan Complex and Portland Arch Road. This cemetery was inspected by the FCCC and discovered it to be Milk Cemetery. The cemetery is one acre and believed to be 50 to 60 stones. There was a previous recording of this cemetery in the latest John Grubb deed. This cemetery is dilapidated and FCCC is currently planning reconstruction.
- 2. Ed Moyer is working on the budget for next year's funds. He spoke with Mr. Mallors from the Local Government and Finance Department in Indianapolis. He is seeking answers for FCCC regarding budget while the FCCC is trying to get local donations from Fountain County.
- 3. One idea for budget was given to Ed Moyer to establish collection points at local merchants for people to donate badly needed used tools, i.e. shovels, rakes, pruners, and hand saws.
- 4. Ed Moyer will talk to local hardware stores to see about weed killer donation and storage from their suppliers.
- 5. Ed Moyer has an acquaintance that is currently writing a grant for Underground Radar Equipment. If the grant is awarded then the FCCC will have access to the equipment that will help to locate stones and graves.
- 6. Kim Martin, president of the Genealogy Society, asked the FCCC for help with Ward Cemetery and Richardson Cemetery. They are requesting help with clean up and access permission.
- 7. It was reported to the FCCC that a car accident at Dry Run Cemetery resulted in the destruction of several stones. Hopefully insurance will help restore the stones.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.