

# Oregon Commission on Historic Cemeteries

## Minutes

July 26, 2018

BUSINESS MEETING: 2:00 p.m.

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*Location: Palmer Creek Lodge Community Events Center, Auditorium  
606 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Dayton*

- I. Welcome and Introductions (2:00 ) Charlotte Lehan
  - a. Sarah Silbernagel, Charlotte Lehan, Mike Leamy, Diane Elder, Milo Reed, Matt Diederich, Kuri Gill,
  - b. Excused – Mark Petrie, Bev Power
  - c. Cricket Soules, Dirk Siedlecki, Steve Sprenger, Molly Casperson, John McGlothlin, Sura Rubenstein, Ruby Garman, Jane Evans, Pat Rongey
- II. Approval of Minutes (2:05) Charlotte Lehan
  - a. No changes, approved. Moved by Silbernagel, second Leamy, approved.
- III. Public Comment (2:10 ) Comment limited to 5 minutes
  - a. none
- IV. Permit program documents review and discussion (2:20) Kuri Gill
- V. Abandoned Cemeteries – Ownership research check-in (2:50) Charlotte Lehan
  - a. Silbernagel has done some research, landowner status for one of them.
  - b. Elder, talked with a near landowner regarding a burial, the area has been disturbed and so the contact doesn't know the exact location.
- VI. Remote Sensing document (2:55) Kuri Gill
  - a. Will be taking another approach. Silbernagel is going to help work on them once we get the reports.
- VII. October meeting planning (3:15) Kuri Gill
  - a. Mapping discussion
  - b. Cemetery tour, marker repair projects?
  - c. CTUIR GPR
  - d. Difference for 501©3 and 13.
  - e. Invited to Florence – Pat
  - f. How to read and photograph stones, map them, site recordation workshop, photography etiquette, what to with the pictures
- VIII. Oregon Heritage Summit 2019 (3:30) Kuri Gill
  - a. Pitch from Kuri to the commission to get folks to go.
- IX. Completed Grant report (3:40) Kuri Gill
- X. Commissioner Comments/Reports (4:00) All
  - a. Mike – haven't done much other than cemetery work
  - b. Sarah – busy with work, has done some work for the October meeting.

- c. Milo – recently made a trip to Mississippi, and visited university, Duane Moore, history program. Markers for blues musicians around the state. Discussed this information. Video project, working on a plan.
  - d. Diane – continuing to tour cemeteries in the area, research mentioned earlier.
  - e. Charlotte – quiet summer, Memorial day was busy. The cemetery added final dates on two stones. One is controversial because it is historic marble. Discussion about this. Are you changing the historic character? Is it OK if it is family? Who are they to decide? Cremains on top of burials is still an issue.
- XI. Appointments – update and recruitment (4:05) Kuri Gill
- a. Charlotte appointed for second term
  - b. Recruitment will happen beginning in August.
  - c. Officer discussion will happen in October.
- XII. Thank you to Diane Elder for her service. (4:15) Charlotte Lehan
- a. Commissioners thank.
- XIII. Upcoming Meetings & Workshops (4:20) Kuri Gill
- October 25-26 – Pendleton
  - February 8 – Conference call
  - April 25 Summit – Medford, meeting in the morning, 8:30-11:30
  - July 18 (meeting) & 19 (workshop) – Florence?
- XIV. Meeting Adjourned (4:30)