

Portland Mills Cemetery Newsletter

The annual meeting of stockholders of Portland Mills Cemetery was held on June 2, 2014. President, Carolyn Smith Collins called the meeting to order.

Janet Spencer Barr, Secretary, read the minutes from the last meeting, June 3, 2013. The minutes were approved as read.

Don Roberts, Treasure, gave the treasures report.

Expenses	\$ 2,949.86
Income	\$ 3,447.90
Endowment	\$66,000.00

The report stands as read.

New Business

A discussion was held on raising the price of the cemetery burial lots. A motion was made and carried to raise the price of 1 bed to \$100 each. A lot of 6 beds will now be \$600.

It was noted that Janet had copied to the computer the cemetery information. The Sales and Transfers of Lots, The Burial information from 1898 to present, Directors Minutes and the Stockholders Meeting minutes. A copy of each is now in archival folders. Plus, a folder of all information on the Cemetery from its founding in 1898 has been put together.

Listed below are those who were buried in the cemetery since our meeting last year.

Mary Lou Thomas	June 13, 2013
James W. Hazlett	August 17, 2013
William J. Berry	September 12, 2013
Grace Mary Humphreys	October 10, 2013
Kenneth L. Ramsay	October 28, 2013
Dorothy Martin	May 26, 2014

Old Business

The cemetery grounds, trees and mulching look great. All agreed that the Cemetery is beautiful.

Harold shared some of the issues he is having with the mower. He is going to change the fuel filter and put on new mower deck wheels and thinks that will solve the issues.

He has put down a product called Mole Relief for the mole problems.

He is going to purchase a product and fill the cracks in the blacktop throughout the cemetery. A motion was made and carried for him to purchase the supplies he needs.

He is going to use fill dirt and fill in some low spots over some of the graves.

Donations are appreciated and encouraged. The Endowment is **never used** for the upkeep of the cemetery. It is a foundation for years to come should there be an emergency situation. All expenses that we have are paid from interest earned, which right now is very low, and donations and sales of lots. It does take money to keep the grounds in such good condition. The donations are tax deductible and can be made to Don Roberts, Treasure, 6839 Basswood Street, Terre Haute, IN 47805.

Elections were held. Harold Thomas, Grounds Keeper and Don Roberts, Treasure, were re-elected for 2 year terms.

The next Stockholders Meeting will be held on June 1, 2015, at 2 p.m. Please plan to attend.

The meeting was adjourned.

President Carolyn Smith Collins – 765.592.5205

Vice President Dan Harbison

Secretary Janet Spencer Barr

Treasurer Don Roberts

Grounds Keeper Harold Thomas