

Coachella Valley Cemetery District

Minutes

Special Meeting – October 8, 2018

1. Call to Order
Chair Underwood called the meeting to order at 8:15am
2. Roll Call
Joe Ceja, Marcos Coronel Jr., John Rios, Ernesto Rosales, Bruce Underwood, Leland Kestell (General Manager) and Joe Ortiz (Attorney) were all present.
3. Mr. Coronel made a motion to accept the minutes and expenditures with the exception of the vacation and sick time check to the former General Manager. This was seconded by Trustee Ceja. All in Favor.
4. A discussion was had regarding steps to take for the District to get to “District of Distinction” in the California Special District Association (CSDA). No action taken.
5. Housing Policy review was tabled for a future meeting.
6. Trustee Stipend. After a discussion, Trustee Coronel made a motion to increase the Board Trustee stipend from \$50 per meeting to \$100. This was seconded by Trustee Rios. All in Favor.
7. A discussion regarding a Clerk of the Board position was had. No action taken.
8. Approval of General Manager contract terms. After a discussion, Trustee Rosales made a motion to approve the contract for the General Manager. This was seconded by Trustee Rios. The motion passed 4-1 with Trustees Rosales, Rios, Underwood and Ceja voting Yes, Trustee Coronel voted No.
9. A discussion was had regarding CalPERS special consideration for the retired former General Manager. Mr. Coronel made a motion to have District Counsel look into the Special Consideration appeal. This was seconded by Trustee Rios.
10. Trustee Rosales had to leave meeting at 12:00 pm due to other business.
11. Trustee Ceja had to leave at 12:15 pm due to other business.
12. Board went into closed session. No action taken.
13. The General manager presented 3 staff reports. One regarding a damaged headstone. One regarding the District receiving the SDRMA presidents award. One item was a proposal for a new

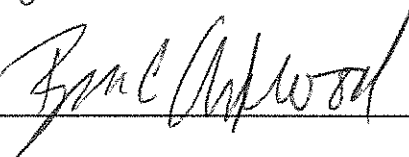
canopy for burials. Mr. Rios made a motion to authorize the GM to purchase a new canopy. This was seconded by Trustee Coronel.

14. Informational Items were discussed regarding media coverage of the Cemetery. Trustee Coronel made a motion to have all media comments go through Chair Underwood. This was seconded by Trustee Rios.

With no further business, Chair Underwood adjourned the Meeting of the Board at 1:35 pm.



Leland Kestell – General Manager



Bruce Underwood, Dr.PH – Board Chairman