

CEMETERY ADVISORY BOARD  
SPECIAL MEETING  
CITY COMMISSION ROOM  
JANUARY 23, 2003  
4:00 P.M.

The following members of the Cemetery Advisory Board were present: Mr. Eric Londeen, Ms. Donna Schenck-Hamlin, Mr. Dennis Irvin, Ms. Judy Atwood, Mr. Patrick Gormely, and Mr. Stephan Konz. Ms. Martha Gray was absent at this meeting. Also present at this meeting was Mr. Mike Mohler, Cemetery Sexton; and Terry DeWeese, Director of Parks and Recreation.

The meeting was called to order. Mr. Londeen.

SINGING TOWER

The Board held discussion on the motion passed by the City Commission. The City Commission's motion was to approve the Cemetery Advisory Board's recommendation to play one bells/chimes selection of not more than five minutes duration, Monday – Friday at 6:00 p.m.; the volume be set so that no more than 60 decibels area registered 500 feet from the tower; and that all selections of music that will be played at the Singing Tower be approved by the Cemetery Advisory Board; further, the Cemetery Advisory Board have the discretion of implementing Dr. Rathbone's scenario and report back to the City Commission after the Cemetery Advisory Board's Meeting in June 2003.

The Board discussed a time to set up the music on the Singing Tower and begin running the music. The Board wanted to run the decibel test and to get the music playing each day at 6:00 p.m. Monday – Friday as soon as possible. The Board also agreed to have their next meeting on March 27, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Room, if the room was available. The Board asked City Administration to advertise when the music starts and to get comments to the Board for their consideration at the meeting on March 27.

Mr. Rathbone was to get the necessary people there to set up the music and run the decibel test. Mr. Konz agreed to do the decibel test.

Mr. Don Rathbone talked about his proposal that he made to the City Commission.

Mr. John Pence talked about the positive nature of the Singing Tower, that it wasn't played loud enough, and didn't think the neighborhood understood the value of playing the Singing Tower.

It was moved by Mr. Konz, seconded by Ms. Atwood to set the music up for the Singing Tower on Monday, January 27 or Tuesday January 28; test five selections to be played on a rotating basis Monday – Friday at 6:00 p.m.; utilizing 60 decibels at 500 feet; and then utilizing Mr. Rathbone's proposal following the March 27 meeting or when scheduled. On vote, motion carried 6-0.

The meeting was adjourned.

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Approved by Chairperson Cemetery Advisory Board

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Date