

**SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
CITY OF VERNON
AUGUST 20, 2020
5:30 PM**

PRESENT – MAYOR: Candice Hodges; COUNCIL MEMBERS: Joey Brock, Gwendolyn March, Laura Brewer, Jeanie Shipes, Becky Baxley; CITY ATTORNEY: Michelle Jordan; CITY CLERK: Tracy Walker; CEMETERY COMMITTEE: Rhonda Dickinson, Michael Brock, Elton Russ, & Larry Phippen

NEW BUSINESS

1. City Cemetery Joey Brock opened the meeting by stating that the City has recently acquired the cemetery from a group that used to own it, the survey has been complete, but now we are facing some boundary issues on the south end of the property as we have about 20 graves outside of the boundary lines; the surveyor said that no judge would make us move the graves; the City is working with the Hicks family to try to obtain this property and possibly more that they have, right now no one will be buried at the south end of the property; the north end of the cemetery also has some issues as there is a 30' easement therefore most of the property on the south side of Circle H belongs to the city even though this property is being used by Gary Haddock for Circle H parking and truck entry; the City Clerk will contact the local funeral homes to let them know to contact us before any burials are authorized; Larry suggested locking the cemetery at a certain time every night like other bigger cemeteries have done; our cemetery has been let go for many years and needs a lot of attention; Larry Phippen then suggested a "Cemetery Day" to have the citizens come out and help clean up; we have a cedar tree that needs to be taken down

ADJOURNMENT – with no further business to discuss, Gwendolyn March made a motion to adjourn, with a second from Becky Baxley, the meeting was adjourned at 6:13 pm

NOTE: THE PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING IS TO DISCUSS THE LISTED ITEMS ONLY.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – ANYONE WHO DESIRES TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL MUST SIGN IN WITH THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO THE MEETING STARTING AND PROVIDE THE TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION. (TIME LIMIT OF FIVE (5) MINUTES). NO VERBATIM RECORD BY A CERTIFIED COURT REPORTER IS MADE OF THESE PROCEEDINGS. ACCORDINGLY, ANY PERSON WHO MAY SEEK TO APPEAL ANY DECISION INVOLVING THE MATTERS NOTICED HEREIN WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE AT THESE PROCEEDINGS UPON WHICH ANY APPEAL IS BASED (SEE SECTION 286.0105, FLORIDA STATUTES SUBMIT ALL REQUESTS VIA EMAIL TO CLERK@VERNONFL.COM. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AND SECTION 286.26, FLORIDA STATUTES, PERSONS NEEDING A SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING SHOULD CONTACT THE CITY CLERK OFFICE AT 850-535-2444 FORTY-EIGHT (48) HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THIS PROCEEDING.

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