

The North Kern Cemetery District Minutes of Regular Meeting held May 08, 2025

The North Kern Cemetery Board meeting was held at Adventist Health 1401 Garces Hwy., Delano, CA., at 4:15 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Andrew Mendoza, Present were Pearl Rivera, Susana Valenzuela, Jorge Jaime Jr, Manager, Connie Sandoval and George Chase were absent

Audience: Fernando Bravo, Daniela Barreto

Public Comment:
No public comment

OPEN SESSION:

Approve Transfer of Revenue April 2025 to the County Treasurer for \$117,970.43. Motion was made by Susana Valenzuela and seconded by Pearl Rivera. Motion passed. No nays.

Approve the April 2025 Bill List in the amount of \$80,975.35.
Motion made by Susana Valenzuela and seconded by Pearl Rivera to accept the bill list. Motion passed. No nays.

Approve Financial Report for April 2025. Motion made by Susana Valenzuela and seconded by Pearl Rivera to approve the financial report. Motion passed. No nays.

Approve Profit and Loss Report for April 2025. Motion made by Pearl Rivera and seconded by Susana Valenzuela to approve the profit and loss report. Motion passed. No nays.

Approve April 10, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes. Motion made by Susana Valenzuela and seconded by Pearl Rivera to approve Board Minutes for March 20, 2025. Motion passed. No nays.

Approve April 16, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes. Motion made by Pearl Rivera and seconded by Susana Valenzuela to approve Board Minutes for March 20, 2025. Motion passed. No nays.

Regular Agenda:

Discussion about Possible changes to Flower pick up (Monthly to Weekly)

The District Manger stated this discussion was placed on the agenda due to the complaints of four public members of the community complaining of the district's maintenance to the grounds. Public members Jerry Dela Rosa, Victiroia Nebre, Pete Nebre and Veronica Morales suggested

the district should look into changing the flower pick up day back to once a week instead of once a month to allow the district to do their job and mow and trim the grounds. This was suggested at April's board meeting, yet the members of the public did not show up for this board meeting. The district manager opened the discussion to the board members and the public. Daniela Barreto addressed the board, asking the pros and cons of having this change in flower pick up. The district manager stated if the board were to make the change in flower pick up to once a week it would accrual extra cost. He stated the district currently hires DADD to pick up the flowers on flower pick up days, which is once a month one fee, but having them come out four to five times a month would accrual four to five times the fee. Barreto asked if the district would go back to picking up flowers once every week, would that give the public the ability to put back solar lights and fences. The district manager stated four solar lights are permitted and the fences are not permitted per the rules. Barreto and four other public members stated they prefer the flower pick-up date to remain the same. Barreto stated she was more concerned about getting the ability to place her fence on her loved one's grave and would eventually want that topic to be an line item on the agenda. The board decided to put this item back on the agenda for June's meeting for further discussion.

July 4th Flower pick up Day

The District Manager reported to the district board that July's first Friday would normally be the day the cemetery conducts flower pick up for general maintenance. However, this year July 4th falls on Friday and the office and grounds crew will be off to the holiday. The District Manager suggests the flowers be picked up the Friday before fourth of July (June 27, 2025) so that he may provide plenty of notice to the community of the change. Motion made by Pearl Rivera and seconded by Susana Valenzuela to approve the change of flower pick for the month of July to June 27, 2025. Motion passed. No nays.

REPORTS

Manager's/Trustee's Reports: Burials: April Casketed: 20 Cremations: 5 Infants: 1 Disinterment: 1 Monthly Total: 27

YTD: 94 YTD Casketed: 67 YTD Cremations: 24 Infant YTD: 2 Disinterment YTD: 1

The District Manager reports to the Board that LAV Pinnacle has requested him to sign the City of Delano applications for the expansion. The district manager stated that LAV Pinnacle would update the district on the city's response.

Adjournment: Motion made by Susana Valenzuela and seconded by Pearl Rivera that the meeting be closed at 5:09 p.m. Motion passed. No Nays.

Minutes recorded by Jorge Jaime Jr, District Manager