



Madison County Cemetery Commission
16 E. 9th St
Anderson, IN 46016
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MCCC Wednesday , January 27,2016

Meeting called to order at 6:00

Members present: Ranny Simmons, Russ Willis, Melody Hull, Devon Dow, and Sherry Ballinger.

Minutes from the July 28, 2015, meeting were read, corrected and approved.

Busby Cemetery-(Fall Creek Township) Hardy-Culp- (Fall Creek Twp) : Discussed which cemetery the Busby or the Pee Wee would be the best place to place the stones from the Hardy -Culp that are in Mel's barn. The Pee Wee is in Adams Township but much closer to where the Hardy- Culp was located and more accessible than the Busby. Asked Russ to get in touch with Adams Township Trustee Jill Fesler concerning using the PeeWee to place the stones and its feasibility. The Pee Wee is still being used but is it an association or township run? Who maintains it? A visit to the Pee Wee this Spring was discussed.

Vandevender Cemetery-(Anderson Township): Mel has a name of a person who remembers where the cemetery is located behind the 1st farm and chicken house beside the woods off Columbus Ave and 32nd street to the west near the railroad tracks. He would be glad to show us. Mel will contact this person for further info.

GPR: Ranny suggested that we might go to the Gooding-Salem School Cemetery in Lafayette township this Spring to read and mark other Gooding Family and Veterans grave sites. Since it is small it would be a great place to use the GPR. We will have to clear it with the Trustee.

Pickard - (Monroe Township): Russ discussed Phase I and Phase II of the Pickard Cemetery Easement Clearance. He has contacted Chief's Handyman on 12-7-2015 with a \$4,500.00 proposal. Phase I : Easement clearance= from road to Cemetery Entrance(brush , tree, limbs, overgrowth, etc. \$2500.00). Phase II: Cemetery clearing of brush, trees, limbs, overgrowth, etc. \$2,000.00. Work will be done in 2016 weather permitting. We should have written permission with us when we do this. Our money from 2015 has been put aside for this project. Discussed that we should get a presentation together with letters , legal easement , and other important information and meet with Don Swegman, Monroe Township Trustee.

Comments by members and guests: No comments

Next Meeting : February 24, 2016

Adjourned: 6:50

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MCCC Wednesday, February 24, 2016

Meeting called to order at 6:00

Members present: Ranny Simmons, Russ Willis, Devon Dow, and Sherry Ballinger.

Minutes from the January 27, 2016, meeting were read and approved.

Pickard – (Monroe Township): Discussed the items that we will take to the presentation with Don Swegman, Monroe Township Trustee: letters, legal easement, maps, codes and laws, Deeds, and other important information.

Comments by members and guests: No comments

Next Meeting : March 30, 2016

Adjourned: 6:15

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MCCC Wednesday , March 30 , 2016

Meeting called to order at 6:00

Members present: Ranny Simmons, Melody Hull, and Sherry Ballinger.

Minutes from the February 24, 2016, meeting were read and approved.

Pickard – (Monroe Township): Materials on the Pickard were passed out that we will take to the presentation with Don Swegman, Monroe Township Trustee: letters , legal easement , maps, codes and laws, Deeds, and other important information on Thursday at 3:30. Mel suggested that we include maps .Main goal is to restore the Pickard Cemetery and the Trustee to keep it up.

Comments by members and guests: Steve and Paulette Kildow (owners of the farm which the Pickard Cemetery is located) were present to ask questions, discuss concerns and made comments on our restoration plans. Some of Kildows questions were of trespassing , hunting and drinking on Property, access to cemetery belongs to them, and we must have MCCC ID to get on property. The Kildows wanted us to know that a neighbor has a practice rifle range which he uses regularly that faces the land around the cemetery.

We will meet with Don Swegman on Thursday.

Next Meeting : April 27, 2016

Adjourned: 7:15

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MCCC Wednesday, June 29, 2016

Meeting called to order at 6:00

Members present: Ranny Simmons, Russ Willis, Melody Hull, Devon Dow, and Sherry Ballinger.

Minutes from the March 30, 2016 meeting were read, and approved.

Pickard Cemetery: Discussed our meeting with Don Swegman at the Monroe Twp. Trustee's office on the Pickard cleanup. Russ will be calling Don Swegman on the progress before the July meeting. We will be hiring Contractor Ed Roman to clean up the Pickard Cemetery. Ed Roman and Russ will go out to the Pickard to see what shape it is in now and what will have to be done.

Busby Cemetery-(Fall Creek Township) Hardy-Culp- (Fall Creek Twp) : Ranny will contact Jill Fesler, Adam Township Trustee, on transferring the stones to the PeeWee Cemetery. Try to meet with Jill Fesler and Dave Morrow at Pee Wee Cemetery . Check out Mel's and Russ's stones. Russ will find the address of the man in Noblesville who has stones in front yard.

GPR: Maybe taking the GPR to the Hidden Cemetery in Lapel.

Vandevender Cemetery-(Anderson Township): Sometime later check with the man who knows where it is located since he is out of nursing home.

Otterbein Cemetery / County Infirmary: Longterm Project. Discussed double signs put up on the west side of the Otterbein stating where the County Infirmary is located.

Comments by members and guests: Mel has a request from Gerald Jones MCHS "Round Table" to find a spot at the Otterbein Cemetery about putting up a memorial stone with the Veterans of the Revolutionary War, War of 1812 and the Mexican-American War on it.

Next Meeting : July 27, 2016

Adjourned: 6:45

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Adjourned: 6:35

Next Meeting : August 31, 2016

Comments by members and guests: none

Minutes from the June 29, 2016 meeting were read, and approved.

Members present: Ranny Simmons, Russ Willis, Melody Hull, and Sherry Ballinger.

Pickard Cemetery: Discussed Pickard Cemetery Cleanup. Russ talked to Don Swegman . Have Don Swegman (Township Trustee) compose letter stating permission, have a copy for Kildow (owner of farm). Contact Ed Roman about starting time for cleanup .

Busby Cemetery-(Fall Creek Township) Hardy-Culp- (Fall Creek Twp) : Gan not use PeeWee cemetery since it is an association, will go back to Busby to place stones. Call Fred Gaskill about access. Get several estimates for job. Ranny has names.

GPR: Melody Hull brought to our attention that Steve Jackson, County Historian , would like us to use the GPR at the northwest corner of West Maplewood cemetery to see if there is an Indian Mound or burial ground. John Dick (Maplewood Cemetery Association) is all for this.

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Adjourned: 6:30

Next Meeting : Sept 28, 2016

Comments by members and guests: none

GPR: Discussed using GPR on Gilmore Cemetery first.

using the Seybert Cemetery. Check with IMI since cemetery is located on their property.
Busby Cemetery-(Fall Creek Township) Hardy-Culp- (Fall Creek Twp) : Talk to Fred about set up. Discussed maybe

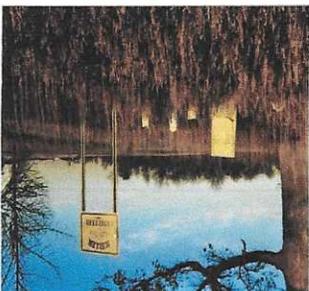
Pickard Cemetery: Call Russ about cleanup. Discussed Pickard Cemetery Cleanup.

Minutes from the July 27, 2016 meeting were read, and approved.

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Me!

What say ye???

I think we should start ticking off our GPR to-do list especially next week when there is supposed to be good weather Tuesday and Wednesday. We could get with the Adams Twp. trustee and do the Gilmore Cemetery. I believe they donated money toward the GPR.

Russ, Sherry, and I had fun and a very successful time at West Maplewood with the GPR. Steve Jackson, county historian, said that we marked over 50 "ground disturbances" with orange flags in the west-central section that is suspected of having the burials of Native Americans. In the north-western section--which Gerald Jones, Civil War Roundtable member, said may have Civil War veterans or may be an extension of the "poor farm" burial area--we marked between 40 to 50 all aligning with the rows and aisles of the cemetery. Cemetery manager John Dick said he'd OK a trial dig if archaeologists or another organization wanted to investigate.

Hey, MCC-ers,

Instead of the usual meeting we met in September at West Maplewood cemetery to use the GPR

September 2016, October 2016

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Russ Willis, Melody Hull, and Sherry Ballinger met with Adam Township Trustee Jill Fesler at the Gilmore cemetery to plot the cemetery with the GPR. We found over 50 unmarked what we think are graves or tombstones, or disturbances and some empty plots where new graves could be used. Jill Fesler has had some people wanting to be buried with their relatives.



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