

HARDIN COUNTY PIONEER CEMETERY COMMISSION
AUGUST 23, 2011
MEETING MINUTES

The HCPCC met at the Eldora Public Library at 6 pm on August 23, 2011. Present were Bill Trampe, Sr, Tom Donald, Peggy Liekweg, Duane Babcock, George Butler and Marilyn Reinertson

MOTION (Peg/Duane) To approve the minutes as mailed. Motion carried.

George has a new contact at Des Moines Soil Office. It is Doug Baker. There are also 3 people from the NRCS Office that can help. (Marty Atkins, Mark McCrudy, and Jean Sanstrum.) Jean is the contact. These individuals indicated that they had visited Kidwiler before. These alternatives given were 1) to do soil nailing – indications were the cost was too high, 2) hydroseeding – the level of success alone was not good however in combination this could be a good alternative, 3) retention ponds – cost as of June 2009 was \$165,000 not including tiling to the gravel pit or hydroseeding. Other plans such as one large retention pond will be explored. George will ask Doug Baker for a model of these alternatives or a copy of the survey done at this last visit. Grant options include EWP funds, EQUIP funds, or private funding.

Central Iowa Lawn & Homecare visited Kidwiler. They have been in business since 1979 and have worked on several large projects. They did not recommend hydroseeding on the east side unless more of a slope was made. However they did think this would work to reduce erosion on the west side. Cost of this side would be around \$20,000. Bill will talk with the supervisors. Jody Stonebraker may have laser equipment to determine the exact square footage of this project.

Peg did a radio interview about the cemetery commission. She indicated it went okay.

Peg talked with Hackbarth's. There is a biodegradable mesh covering that could be placed on the hillside to help hold in seeding. This is at a cost of \$40 for a 4' x 150' roll. Peg will try to gather more info about this product.

Taking a tour of all the Pioneer Cemeteries in the County was discussed. MOTION (Bill/Duane) To have this tour on Sept 16th from 9-3. Motion carried. Peg will drive. All will meet at the courthouse at 9 am that day.

An email was reviewed from UNI History program. It does not sound like we can use their services at this time.

Duane/Peg motioned to adjourn meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

The next meeting of the HCPCC will be held Sept 27th at 6 pm at the Eldora Public Library.

Marilyn Reinertson,
Recording Secretary