

NEWCASTLE, ROCKLIN, GOLD HILL CEMETERY
District Office, 850 Taylor Road, Newcastle, CA 95658
Minutes for the Regular Meeting held April 15, 2026
The agenda was posted on Friday, April 10, 2026

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mark Riemer called the meeting to order at 8:00am.

B. ROLL CALL

Trustees Present – Mark Riemer, Gordon Takemoto, Grant Kageta, Jennifer Knisley and Roy Hebard

Staff Present - Jeff Forrey and Laurie McAfee

Teleconference – None

Absent – None

Guest(s) – James Pinocchio

Public – None

C. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

D. AGENDA REVIEW – No changes

E. GUEST SPEAKER – James Pinocchio to speak on project updates.

F. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the Minutes for the Workshop Meeting on March 11, 2026.

2. Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting on March 18, 2026.

3. Approval of payment of the March 2026 Bills in the amount of \$17,881.67.

4. Approval of transfer of March 2026 income to Placer County in the amount of \$44,080.81.

A motion was made by Gordon to approve all items on the Consent Agenda. Roy seconded.
All in favor, motion carried.

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G. PROJECT UPDATE -

1. Rocklin Cemetery Paving Project – Jeff informed the Board that there is a tree that he would like to have removed that would allow the road to be widened more as well as resolve the issue of roots from the tree invading a nearby water box. The Board directed Jeff to reach out the family that would be affected by the removal of the tree and discuss the situation with them.
2. Newcastle Cemetery Conditional Use Permit for undeveloped 20 acres – Jeff is waiting on our attorney to get back to him to provide feedback on the permitting process the County advised him on during a previous conference call.
3. Newcastle Parking Lot Expansion – James Pinocchio is ready to begin the design portion of the project and requested guidance from the Board. He will design a couple of options using the feedback provided and will present them at a future meeting.

H. MANAGERS REPORT -

1. Pioneer Solar Program – We received a response back from Pioneer aka Participate Energy regarding potential saving of going solar. However, they are facing challenges due to federal restrictions imposed on most foreign components of battery storage and cannot offer and cannot offer a proposal where there are savings compared to utility power at this time.
2. Pavilion “Grand Opening” – A potential date for the grand opening was proposed in July but due to conflicts with some of the board members’ schedules, it was discussed that we look at a date in September or October.
3. 3rd Quarter Financial Report –
 - a. Revenues – We are at 72% of budget which includes. Property sales, opening & closing and investment income is still the main source of our fast start. We have only received about 50% of our tax revenue so far.
 - b. Expenses – We are at 75% through the year end and %75 of budget. Our vault expenses are at 87% and may go over the budgeted amount before the fiscal year ends on June 30, 2026.
 - c. Reserve Account – Currently at \$13,533,563.00
 - d. Retirement Investment with PARS – Our current balance is at \$559,666.00 through February 2026.

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I. BOARD DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

1. Rocklin Cemetery Pavement Project – A core sample will need to be obtained. The cost will be \$3,200.00. Roy made a motion to approve the cost of the core sample. Jenny seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
2. Rocklin Cremation Estate Project – With the completion of the upgrades to the estates, a new pricing structure of \$3,500.00 for in district and \$3,800.00 for out of district was proposed. The endowment care fee of \$380.00 would remain the same. Due to the previous higher price, we did not find an interest from the public in purchasing the estates. Roy made a motion to approve the proposed pricing. Jenny seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Additionally, it was discussed that the purchaser of the only estate previously sold receives a refund as a sign of good faith. His estate is the largest estate, and a \$2,000.00 refund was proposed. Roy made a motion to approve the refund. Jenny seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

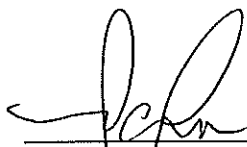
J. REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE TO THE DISTRICT –

1. LAFCO Special District Call for Nominations – Roy made a motion to nominate Jennifer Knisley. Mark seconded. Jennifer abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

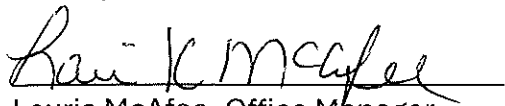
K. TRUSTEE QUESTIONS & COMMENTS –

1. Mark informed the Board that while visiting a cemetery out of state, he observed that they had a combination- niche and spreading garden. He thought it might be something to consider in one of our gardens in the future.

- L. ADJOURNMENT** - Roy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gordon seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:03am.



Mark Riemer, Chairman



Laurie McAfee, Office Manager