

Item 23-0907: St. Joseph's Cemetery reimbursement request for maintenance of Veteran graves

Finance Committee

Mon, Aug 21, 2023, 5:30PM

Aldersperson Brad Firkus (District 3) 21:33

Our last action item of the evening. 23-0907 St. Joseph cemetery reimbursement requests for maintenance of veterans graves.

Aldersperson Sheri Hartzheim (District 13) 21:42

Move for approval.

Aldersperson Katie Van Zeeland (District 5) 21:43

Second.

Aldersperson Brad Firkus (District 3) 21:44

All right we have a motion and a second. Mic number Director Ohman? Director One.

Director Jeri Ohman (Finance) 21:50

Thank you, chair. So, this was on the agenda previously, and I just wanted to come back to it and explain where we're at. What happened. So, we found out—in requesting additional paperwork, we found out that there is an endowment fund that St. Joseph cemetery has. As part of that endowment fund, maintenance is taken care of for the cemetery. That then precludes the cemetery from receiving reimbursement from the county for the veterans graves.

Director Jeri Ohman (Finance) 22:21

However, there is a process that that that that St. Joseph's can go through to indicate which veterans graves are covered by that endowment fund and which ones are not. Staff did not have time to pull that information together in time to meet the county's cutoff of September 1 for that. So, this time, we're—I'm asking for the this item to be denied because they don't have the proper paperwork in place, and we've will miss the deadline for the county, but they know that they can start pulling that paperwork together for next year to receive reimbursement for any veterans graves that qualify for it.

Aldersperson Brad Firkus (District 3) 23:00

All right. Thank you, Director Ohman.

Aldersperson Sheri Hartzheim (District 13) 23:02

I withdraw my motion for approval

Aldersperson Denise Fenton (District 6) 23:06

And withdraw the—I think it was Katie's.

Aldersperson Katie Van Zeeland (District 5) 23:09

Yeah, I'll withdraw.

Alderman Brad Firkus (District 3) 23:10

Alright, so the motion to approve has been withdrawn. So

Alderman Sheri Hartzheim (District 13) 23:14

Move to deny.

Alderman Katie Van Zeeland (District 5) 23:14

Second.

Alderman Brad Firkus (District 3) 23:15

All right, we have a motion to deny. Any further comments or questions? Seeing none, we'll go ahead and vote. All those in favor of the denial? Aye. Opposed? Abstentions? Motion pass—for denial passes four to zero.