

HVHA SPECIAL BOARD MEETINGS  
June 3 and June 4, 2011  
Monuments – Hinton and 74<sup>th</sup>  
3:00 p.m.

Board Members Present at June 3, 2011, Meeting

Hollie Hernandez, Bill Dwyer, Gloria Hamilton, Russell Eigenheer

Board Members Present at June 4, 2011, Meeting

Hollie Hernandez, Dana Frey, Dave Thiede, Anne Dwyer, Dawn Williams, Mark Oszman

Visitor at June 4, 2011, Meeting

Rick Michalec – former Board Member

Also Present at June 4, 2011, Meeting

Sue Stoner, Recorder, Non-Board Member

Purposes for special Board Meetings:

To determine what still needs to be done regarding completion of the monuments per the original contract with Thomas Patraw, Jr. and to set deadlines and list expectations.

Gain consensus on current electrical requirements at the monuments.

Gain consensus on landscaping and plantings at the monuments.

Electrical Requirements

The current electrical service stands alone now on the south side of the south monument.

Options are:

Leave electrical service where it is, don't update, and try to camouflage with plantings.

Leave electrical service where it is, update existing service and install Milbank pedestal to house the electrical.

Remove old electrical service and replace with new service and Milbank pedestal to be hidden behind the monument.

Estimates were submitted by three electrical companies. Leaving the current electrical service where it is and replacing it with the Milbank pedestal would cost about \$1,450.

Moving the service behind the monument and installing the Milbank pedestal will cost about \$2,000.

Mark Oszman volunteered to call one more electrician for his input.

### Lamposts

The current lampposts are not commercial grade, but were chosen to blend in with the current look of the development. It was thought that a lot of lighting would not be needed because of the reflective design of the monument. Some people complained that the spots on the posts were too bright and those spots have been turned off.

One electrician recommended that the lampposts be removed and replaced with commercial grade Halide light fixtures to shine on the monument.

The Board discussed the pros and cons of keeping the lampposts. There was some concern expressed that commercial grade lights might be too bright and reflective. Others were concerned that the bulbs in the current light posts would have to be changed too often. Choosing a longer-life light bulb might eliminate some of that.

Bids on the cost of the Halide commercial light fixture would have to be obtained.

No decision was made.

### Landscaping and Plantings

Ralph and Steve from Red's Lawn Service presented a design for planting the monument areas. The design involved low maintenance plantings with tall grasses in the back and at the sides of the monuments. They also suggested spring bulbs. It would be possible to camouflage the existing electrical box with bushes 10 to 15 feet in height. The bushes would provide fall color, but when the leaves fell off, the service would be exposed during the winter months. Planting larger trees that would retain their foliage would probably cost as much as it would cost to remove the electrical service. Their plan for landscaping and planting both new monument areas was \$5,400. The Board didn't feel that much could be spent on this part of the project.

Later in the day Dana Frey went to Gertens to price some of the plantings and found that the plantings could be purchased for about \$270 per monument. That figure, however, doesn't include mulch and the concrete edging bricks that the majority of the Board recommends.

The Board will check with Red's Lawn Service to see if it could purchase the landscaping design from them and find a more cost-effective way to do the work.

Rick Michalec donated \$100 towards the cost of the edging.

Issues with the monument on the north side of 74<sup>th</sup>:

Removing the remaining section of the monument on the north side of 74<sup>th</sup> wasn't part of the original project. However, the description by Patraw of what the remaining portion would look like after the new monument was built doesn't match the current look. This remaining portion will need to be taken out. A backhoe will need to be brought in to try to recreate a berm. Bill Dwyer is going to see if any free dirt fill is available and will check to see how much it would cost to rent a backhoe.

Dave Thiede will check with the city to see if any dirt might be available and Mark Oszman will check to see how much free compost can be obtained from the city.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.