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**MINUTES OF JOINT MEETING OF PERRYSBURG COUNCIL AND  
PERRYSBURG TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES ON FORT MEIGS UNION  
CEMETERY – HELD MAY 16, 2006**

Mayor Evans called the regular meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. Present were Council members Ernie, Lawless, Mackin, Larson-Shidler, McCarthy (arrived at 6:55 p.m.), Olmstead, Rantanen: (7) Absent: (0). Township Trustees present: Britten, LaHote, Mack, (3) Absent: (0)

**2007 Annual Budget**

Dale Barnard, Cemetery Board, referred to the 2007 annual budget distributed to Council and Trustee members. He pointed out there has not been many spending fluctuations over the last three years; however, the Cemetery is up against a cash flow situation, stemming from the purchase of a piece of property in 2001 that is non-revenue producing. To cut costs, the loan on the land has been refinanced for a savings of \$30,000. On the labor side, one part-time employee position has been eliminated, and overtime hours have been reduced.

Mr. Britten, noting additional cost cutting measures, suggested that the City and Township contribute their in-house labor to maintain the cemetery's equipment whenever possible versus sending it out for service. Mayor Evans noted that the City would investigate if this would be feasible administratively and legally.

The Cemetery Board suggested that a Committee be formed to look at revenue stream options. Mr. Barnard noted that without funding from the City or the Township, a levy might have to be considered. Ms. Ernie, noting that the Board would like to exhaust all opportunities before asking for a levy, and suggested that the Committee investigate the idea of the City or Township funding the loan for the land purchase. Director of Finance, Dave Creps, agreed to represent the City on the Committee.

**Re-Appointment of Representative to the Union Cemetery Board**

Mr. Mackin moved that Gary Britten be re-appointed to serve on the Union Cemetery Board for another term. Ms. Larson-Shidler seconded. Ayes: (10) Nays: (0)

There being no further business, Mr. Lawless moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Mack seconded. Ayes: (10). Nays: (0). The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

David D. Creps, Clerk