

Town of Amberg  
Special Board Meeting  
Thursday, May 11, 2017, 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Mattison called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm with Mattison, Supervisor Holmes, Supervisor Werner, Clerk Boshen and the following members of the Richard and Margaret Rhodes family: Linda Storm, Suzan Schlies, Annette Grube, Heather Schramm, and David Schramm present.

This meeting was called to address the concerns of the Richard Rhodes family who owns Graves 1 & 2 in Lot 2 Section 8. When Richard was buried in 1999 and the monument was put in place the names on the monument were reversed. Sitting board members Elenore Forney and John O'Brien agreed that Margaret could be buried in the walkway rather than the purchased grave to make sure that the burials agreed with the monument name placement when the time came. Margaret was buried in 2017 in the grave that was purchased—not the walkway and the monument was turned around and made into a head stone.

The family members are seeking to have the error remedied (stone turned around and either replaced with the names over the correct graves or have Margaret disinterred and buried in the walkway to have the stone read correctly).

After a lengthy discussion it was decided that Chairman Mattison would contact the Towns Association attorneys and ask about the legality of burying a body in a cemetery walkway and Suzan Schlies would contact the monument company and find out if it were feasible to have the names and dates reversed without remaking the entire stone face.

A meeting date was set for May 25, 2017 at 5:00 pm to present the findings of facts and decide on a further course of action. The meeting was adjourned by mutual agreement at 5:45 pm.