



**Clerk of the Board
COUNTY OF TULARE
AGENDA ITEM**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

KUYLER CROCKER
District One

PETE VANDER POEL
District Two

AMY SHUKLIAN
District Three

EDDIE VALERO
District Four

DENNIS TOWNSEND
District Five

AGENDA DATE: February 25, 2020

Public Hearing Required	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

CONTACT PERSON: Hilary Robello PHONE: (559) 636-5000

SUBJECT: Approve the increase to the number of board members for Eshom Valley Cemetery District

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the request by the Board of Trustees of the Eshom Valley Cemetery District to increase the number of board members from three to five members.
2. Set the terms of the new board members so that one new board member will serve a short term expiring in 2022, and the other board member will serve a full term expiring in 2024.
3. Accept the resignation of current Trustee Joni Jordan (term ending 2022).
4. Direct the Clerk of the Board to post the appropriate notices to fill the vacancies.

SUMMARY:

Eshom Valley Cemetery District (near Badger) runs a small cemetery, which has only a few burials per year. The district has no employees, so all necessary work is done by volunteers. Three local residents have indicated they would be interested in assisting the district if they were given formal status. The District currently has a board of trustees of three members, and would like to have these residents also be board members.

Health and Safety Code section 9025 provides that the board of trustees of a cemetery district may adopt a resolution requesting that the Board of Supervisors

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increase the number of members of the board of trustees. Health and Safety Code section 9021 provides that when a new cemetery district is formed, the Board of Supervisors is to give the district either three or five board members. While the statutes do not address other possible sizes which a board of trustees could request, these statutes clearly authorize a board of trustees to request, and the Board of Supervisors to approve, a request to increase the number of trustees from three to five.

The attached resolution requests that the Board of Supervisors increase the number of trustees on the board of the Eshom Valley Cemetery District from three to five. To make room for all three of the interested people, current board member Joni Jordan has submitted her resignation, which will go into effect only if the Board of Supervisors approves the district's request. A copy of her resignation letter is also attached.


FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

None.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes Quality of Life, which includes the goal of developing and sustaining a well-qualified pool of board members in the special districts. Increasing this board to five members will help the Eshom Valley residents continue to support their local cemetery.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:


Melinda Benton
Chief Clerk

Cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) District Resolution
Resignation letter

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE THE)
INCREASE TO THE NUMBER OF BOARD) Resolution No. _____
MEMBERS FOR ESHOM VALLEY)
CEMETERY DISTRICT)

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR _____, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR _____, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD _____
_____, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JASON T. BRITT
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approved the request by the Board of Trustees of the Eshom Valley Cemetery District to increase the number of board members from three to five members.
- 2. Set the terms of the new board members so that one new board member will serve a short term expiring in 2022, and the other board member will serve a full term expiring in 2024.
- 3. Accepted the resignation of current Trustee Joni Jordan (term ending 2022).
- 4. Directed the Clerk of the Board to post the appropriate notices to fill the vacancies.

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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ESHOM VALLEY CEMETERY DISTRICT
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**In the Matter of a Request to Increase Number of) Resolution No. 2020-1
Board of Trustees)**

WHEREAS, the Cemetery District has no employees, and all work is done by volunteers, and

WHEREAS, the District has some additional volunteers who should be official participants in
District business, and

WHEREAS, the current Board of Trustees is three members; and

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code section 9025 provides that a board of trustees of a
cemetery district may adopt a resolution requesting that the board of supervisors of the principal
county increase the number of members of the board of trustees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Board of Trustees hereby requests that the Board of Supervisors increase the
number of members of the Board of Trustees from three to five.

2. One new board member should be given a short term (ending on the first Monday in
January of 2022), and the other new board member should be given a full term (ending on the first
Monday in January of 2024).

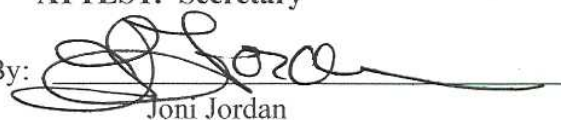
The foregoing resolution was adopted on motion of Trustee Joni Jordan, seconded by Trustee
Bill Place, at a regular meeting of this Board of Trustees held on
February 6, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:	<u>3</u>
NOES:	<u>0</u>
ABSTAIN:	<u>0</u>
ABSENT:	<u>0</u>

Certified as a true and correct copy of the original in the District minutes.

ATTEST: Secretary

By:


Joni Jordan



Eshom Valley Cemetery District

51300 Eshom Valley Drive
Badger, CA 93603

7 February 2020

Tulare County Board of Supervisors:

As Eshom Valley Cemetery District is readying to enlarge its Board of Trustees, I would like to tender my resignation as current Board of Trustee member and Secretary of the Board (term currently ends 2022), contingent upon the approval of the request to add the two additional positions to the Board of Trustees.

I will continue to serve the Board in a volunteer clerk/finance role and one of the new Board members will become Secretary of the Board. These changes will help ensure that we have greater continuity and support for the necessary work of our special district.

Thank you,

Joni Jordan