

**BOARD OF CEMETERY COMMISSION**

MINUTES –February 25, 2013

TIME-4:15pm

PLACE-Police Station Conference Room

PRESENT-Scott Lake (chairperson), Steve Kocur and Kathy Costa

Guests-Tim Lancaster (Park Supervisor arrived @ 4:19pm & left @ 5:14pm) and Greg Barnes (Town Treasurer arrived @ 4:21pm & left @5:16pm)

Meeting called to order at 4:15pm

Motion made by Steve to accept the minutes for meetings of May 17, May 31, and June 13, 2013.

Seconded by Kathy Approved unanimously

Discussed storm damage of Hurricane Irene (2011) done at Ryder Cemetery. There's a possibility that there will be no reimbursement from FEMA because nothing was submitted. Tim Lancaster said he remembers that it was submitted.

Discussed damage from snow storm (NEMO) of February 8, 2013, at Ryder Cemetery. Scott will speak to Paul (DPW) about the debris /tree, limb and branches at the curb/roadside area at Ryder and getting the area cleaned.

Discussed complaints from residents seeing fires at Evergreen Cemetery. After receiving the complaints, Kathy viewed the area and found several trees have been cut down along the west wall as well as many areas where burning had taken place. There were several piles that also appeared ready to burn. Steve volunteered to file a complaint with the police department.

Discussed the need to (spring) fertilize all the cemeteries (Evergreen, Davis, and Pine Grove and Ryder).

Motion made by Steve to purchase the fertilizer and have this done. Seconded by Kathy Approved unanimously

Discussed repairing damaged/old stones at all the cemeteries.

Motion made by Kathy to have Albanese Monuments LLC repair all stones as they were the only one to respond and to take the funds from account 82103 and any extra funds (if needed) from the revolving account, as suggested by Greg. Seconded by Steve Approved unanimously

Correspondence received:

1. Town of Dartmouth Planning Board dated September 28, November 9 and 20, 2012 pertaining to "King Meadow Preserve."

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2. Prime Engineering dated October 23 and 31, 2012 pertaining to "King Meadow Preserve."
3. Town of Dartmouth Board of Health dated November 5, 2012 pertaining to "King Meadow Preserve."
4. Town of Westport dated October 11, 2012 pertaining to bronze vases/urns being sold for scrap. This letter came from DPD.
5. Christmas card from Earthworks Lawn and Tree Services.

Motion made by Steve to file all correspondence. Seconded by Kathy Approved unanimously

Old/New business:

Greg and Tim explained they were sent to the meeting by David Cressman, (Town Administrator) via an e-mail. The Board asked for a copy of the e-mail. Tim and Greg stated they would place a copy in our mail slot in the treasurer's office.

Greg stated Attorney Daniel Perry sent David Cressman, an e-mail asking about Ryder Cemetery and wanted an account of the finances. Kathy replied that she had tried to communicate with Attorney Perry once on December 15, 2011 (2:40pm) and February 26, 2013 (4:51pm), his secretary said he would return the call. Kathy called his office again on March 1, 2013 and left another message with his secretary. (Still haven't heard from Attorney Perry as of March 8, 2013)

Greg explained the accounts. Account 16502-52400 that was placed under "Parks" was deleted and another account was put in place.

Discussed Hurricane Irene and reimbursement to the Ryder account. Greg and Tim both remember it was sent to FEMA and would check on it.

Discussed transferring Cemetery to Parks and Recreation in April.

The Cemetery Commission suggested Tim submit any requests after April 3, 2013.

Motion to adjourn made by Kathy. Seconded by Steve Approved unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 5:15pm.