## **CEMETERY TRUSTEE MINUTES MAY 10, 2012**

Meeting held at the DPW Facility at 6:00 P.M., with the following persons attending;

Mary Quintana, Chairperson, Richard Henderson and David Stewart Trustees and Will Shoemaker, Sexton.

Reviewed and discussed a quote from Fox Tree Service in regards to work to be done at the Purmort and Small Shaker cemetery.

Purmort estimate was \$800 and Shaker Cemetery was \$3100.

Discussed Cy Pres Trust Fund from Lebrunn Fund for trustees to use.

Discussed some kind of motorized equipment for maintenance use at all cemeteries. Mainly Lockehaven and Town cemeteries which are located on a steep slope.

When materials are needed to repair or straighten gravestones it was necessary to carry materials by hand in buckets by the Sexton or his assistants.

The vehicle mentioned was a Gater. The trustees tentatively agreed to purchase a Gater with the stipulation that it be used only for cemetery maintenance.

SIGNS: Several cemetery signs to be repainted due to weathering as noted by Sexton Shoemaker, including Purmort and Countryside.

Secretary to send a cordial memo to Fred Cummings in regards to a permanent grave maker for his mother and her companions gravesite.

## **NEW GRAVE MARKERS:**

The new grave marker for the Burnham Cemetery is ready but could not be erected due to the wet weather prohibiting any work to be done until conditions improve.

The same situation occurs for the Fred Altvater Memorial at Countryside.

**COUNTRYSIDE MAINTENANCE:** A brief discussion in regards to cleaning up the brush etc. at the right side entrance to improve appearance of this site.

**Engineering: Funds.** Sexton Shoemaker requested additional funding to complete disc marking of Section "C" of countryside.

**FLAG POLE:** Sexton Shoemaker said that a new Flag Pole has been fabricated and will be erected as conditions permit.

. A decorative plant arrangement will be established around the base perimeter of the Flag Pole.

**Shaker Cemetery:** A discussion concerning the large leaning tree on the abutters property which might fall and damage many grave tablets and Mary requested that the secretary send a letter to the property owner regarding his disposition in this matter. The tree could be cut down and left on the site to be used as the property owner wishes; or removed with great difficulty.

Sexton Shoemaker noted that he was the elected Tree Warden and could condemn this tree due to it being a hazard and then it would be up to the owner to care for this matter.

The meeting closed at 7:00 PM.