

MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 21, 2016

New Castle Cemetery Trustees monthly meeting at New Castle Town Hall, 3.30 p.m.

Present: Jim Cerny, Terri Golter, Carol White,
Possible alternate member: Holly Fraumeni
Visitor: Deb Knowles

1. The August minutes were approved.

2.1 – With the drought, there has been little mowing in the cemeteries this summer so we're in excellent shape with the budget. Extra money has been expended though for cleanup of branches which came down in a windstorm.

2.2 – Kai Nalenz will return soon and finish the rest of the stones that were damaged by the windstorm. He has already repaired the four broken and toppled stones.

Micum will come and talk with Terri soon about re-cabling the tree which lost a huge branch during the storm this summer. Jim wants Terri to ask Micum to look at the tree which is jointly on the Marvin Cemetery right of way and the school's property. It may need to come down.

3.2 – Leonard Seagren is in the process of installing a stone on his Riverside lot.

3.3 – The Phil Finn burial has taken place.

3.4 – Jim will re-send paperwork to Gary Rumpf for the purchase of the former Merrill lot at Riverside in Section 5 between lots 4 and 5. Cost is \$2,000.

3.5 – Some holes need fixing in the Woodman/Horning lot in Riverside. These may have been caused by the big branches which fell during the windstorm. Due to the drought, no leveling work will be done since there is no rain to cause the grass to grow.

3.6 – Jim Rini is interested in the remaining buy-back lot in Riverside.

3.7 – Bobbie Sweet inquired about purchasing a lot in Riverside but there are no available lots there but there are plenty of lots in Oceanside.

4.1 – Whitman and Bowker lot consolidation of lots 40,11 and 40,10 in Oceanside.

Nothing can be done on the buy back and sale of this lot until Terry Knowles gives her opinion on this matter. The question is: Can a lot be sold back even if there is a body buried in it?

(a) We need to get a signed, notarized letter from Peter Whitman selling back lot 40,11.

(b) George Bowker needs to execute a standard sales agreement for lot 40,11. On the agreement will be a statement of the special circumstances: There is an existing burial on that lot and the two lots will be treated as one unit for stone placement.

(c) When a and b have been completed, then we will send an invoice for \$1,000 to the TOTF.

Background: George Bowker's mother is buried in one lot. His sister is buried in the adjacent lot next to her mother. Peter Whitman, the sister's husband, has agreed to sell his wife's lot back to us and then we can e-sell the lot to George Bowker, the brother.

5.1 – Jim is to contact Terry Knowles with various questions:

- a. question in 4.1 above
- b. duties of a Cemetery Trustee alternate
- c. requirement for town vote on right to inter monies?

5.2 – Alternate Trustee – per HB 1181, section 289:6 – We discussed how an alternate can be appointed to the Cemetery Trustees. The Selectboard can appoint an alternate after we propose the person. We can request that Holly Fraumeni be appointed as an alternate for one year if she wants to be. Jim explained the duties of a Cemetery Trustee to Holly and she will consider this appointment.

5.3 – As there is extra money in our budget, Terri will ask Mike to clean up excessive brush at Riverside. Terri and Carol had been slowly working on this in the past. Terri will talk with him and get a quote for the work before authorizing it.

Next Meeting: October 19 at 3.30 p.m.

Carol White, Secretary