

TOWN of STOW CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

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Stow, Massachusetts 01775

Cemetery Committee Meeting, February 16, 2011

The Cemetery Committee Meeting was held on this date at their office in the Town Hall.

The meeting convened at 7:00 PM with members Chairman Fred Dodge, William Clayton present. Also present was Superintendent Robb Gledhill. Member Roy Dudley and Associate Stephen Gray were not present.

Due to weather the January meeting was postponed.

Most of the meeting was devoted to the possible land purchase that the committee is trying to get. This property is adjacent to Brookside Cemetery and is being offered to the town for a price of \$200,000 dollars. We are scheduled to meet with the Capital Planning Board on March 24, 2011. Our presentation will exploit the merits to the town if the purchase was to be approved.

The Capital Planning Board also wants a capital plan from the committee up to FY2016. Suggested were the following:

FY2012	Land Purchase	\$200,000
FY2013	New Mowers	\$20,000 Estimated
FY2014	New Roads (Brookside)	Unknown at this time
FY2015	New Cemetery Building	Unknown at this time
FY2016	?	

Chairman Fred Dodge brought up the possibility of a new building. This would be in (FY2015) to replace the existing building. The existing building was built in 1930 and definitely needs an upgrade. We will research the different possibilities.

This does require further planning prior to the committees meeting with the Capital Planning Board.

The Superintendent stated that many trees within the cemeteries need pruning. He has received quotes from High Quality, Acorn and Assabet Tree. It was decided to go with Assabet Tree at a cost of \$1320.00 for 8 hrs work. They also clean up and chip the prunings for an additional cost of \$1400.00.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM

Next meeting will be March 16, 2011

Minutes taken by William E. Clayton