

## TOWN OF WAREHAM

## **Cemetery Commissioners**

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Christian Consoletti, Chairman Andrew Griffith, Clerk Nancy Miller, Member

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF MEETING

Date:

Monday, November 15, 2010

Location:

95 Charge Pond Road, Wareham, MA 02571

Time:

5:30 p.m.

Attendance:

Commissioners:

Christian J. Consoletti, Chairman

Present

Andrew Griffith, Clerk

Present

Nancy Miller

Present

Liaison officer:

Mark Gifford, Director

Absent

Deborah J. Correia, Administrative Assistant

Present

- 1. The meeting opened at 5:41 p.m.
- 2. The minutes of the September 13th meeting were voted and accepted as written 3-0-0.
- 3. Two deeds were approved:

Ouimet, Richard

Agawam Cemetery, Annex, Lot 500 grave #5 & #6

Young, Thomas and Sandra

Centre Cemetery, Annex, Lot 271 graves 1 thru 8

## 4. Other Cemetery Business:

A transfer of ownership for Lot 170, located in Centre Cemetery, Annex, graves 3, 4, 5 and 6 from Barry and Rosanna Lake to their children, Heather and Barry Lake, Jr. was approved. The Cemetery Commissioners also approved their request to have an inscription date placed on Mrs. Lake's headstone by Tootell Monument.

After discussing the request by Robert Brent to remove the lettering "his wife" on the Steadman headstone located in Agawam Cemetery Lots 333 and 341, along with inscribing the date of her death on the stone, it was determined to inform Mr. Brent that he would have to become the lot representative to make any changes to the headstone. A letter was prepared informing him that lineage documentation for both the Steadman and Bennett lots would have to be submitted, along with his request to become the lot representative. Prepared letter sent to Mr. Brent is attached to the minutes.

The donation given by Althea L. Wood in the amount of \$25.00 dollars was accepted by the Cemetery Commissioners (3-0-0) to be placed in the perpetual care fund for future maintenance of lot 78 graves 3 an 4 located in the Centre Cemetery, Section B. The donation was made out to Mark Gifford, who will sign the check over to the Town of Wareham for deposit into this fund. A thank you note was sent to Mrs. Wood detailing the Commissioners intentions. Nan Miller offered to straighten the markers on the Wood's lot. Thank you letter is attached to the minutes.

The format of the Town cemetery deed was discussed to determine whether the map number and lot should be printed on the deed for legal purposes. Mr. Consoletti stated this information doesn't need to be listed because it is not the land they own, only the right of burial. Mrs. Miller is going to contact Mr. Charles Rowley to obtain cemetery maps for the Agawam Annex he surveyed, as the only dated cemetery map on file is from March 8, 1976.

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the shrub trimming and/or removal in the Agawam Cemetery. In September, the Cemetery Commissioners met in the Agawam cemetery spending two and one half hours analyzing the clean up of the Agawam Cemetery. A list of trimming/removing of brush and/or trees is attached to the minutes. Although all three Commissioners discussed the shrub and tree trimming while on site, when it was presented to the Cemetery Commissioners at their monthly meeting the motion failed. No second motion was given.

- 5. Next meeting will be on Monday, December 6, 2010, 5:00 pm, at 95 Charge Pond Road, Wareham.
- 6. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christian J. Consoletti, Chairman

**Cemetery Commissioners** 

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c. Mary Ann Silva, Town Clerk
Frank Bergamasco, Cemetery Foreman
Mary Healy, Department Assistant

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