

Minutes of Washington Cemetery Trustees' Meeting

Date: June 13th, 2017 – 7:00 p.m.

In Attendance: Phil Barker (chair), and Kitty West (bookkeeper)

Minutes Approved: Minutes were approved for May 22nd, 2017 as corrected.

Old Business:

Stone Vault will meet with Phil in July to go over what we need done for stone work.

Kitty verified with Arlene France the perpetual care funds we have available for stone work.

We have not heard back from Terry Knowles on how to issue perpetual care funds if we do not know the cost of the cemetery maintenance.

Phil tried to contact the daughter of one of the parties in the lot mix up, but it seems the phone number Jon found is no longer valid. Phil talked with the people who now own the home of the other party. They are not related but said that on occasion the grandchildren of the party stop in. If they see them they will pass the word along that we want to talk with them.

The new posts for the cemetery entrances have been completed and will be put in place in July.

Phil's and Jon's schedules have not yet been such that they have been able to get together for Phil to show Jon how to locate a lot within a cemetery or a grave within a lot.

Phil talked with Deb, the executive administrator. The Cemetery Trustees' meetings should now be on the Selectmen's list and in their minutes. Kitty sent a note to Nan requesting that they be put on the website.

New Business:

There will be an ash interment in the New Center Cemetery on June 25th.

Phil went to the June 1st Selectmen's meeting to let them know we had three complaints that the New Section of the New Center Cemetery had not been trimmed for Memorial Day. It did not appear in their minutes, however, so Phil sent them a note asking them to make the correction to their minutes.

Phil turned in a mileage voucher.

All unintentional woody growth up to 3" in diameter is to be cut by Memorial Day. This has not been done. Phil will notify the Selectmen.

With malicious intent, someone removed the flag from a grave in the East Washington Cemetery last year, knowing full well that the offended family would make an outcry. This year another

flag, also in the East Washington Cemetery, was removed. Ron Roy was kind enough to replace this flag for us.

We received a police report that while visiting her mother's grave in the New Center Cemetery late Saturday night a person tried driving over the grass area becoming stuck in the mud. Some damage was done to the cemetery sod. We adjourned our meeting at 7:45 to the cemetery to view the damage.

While at the New Center Cemetery we noted that the grass in the New Section hasn't been mowed since before Memorial Day.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Bookkeeper,
Kitty West