

CEMETERY TRUSTEES MEETING

Thursday November 17, 2016

In attendance were: Marie Grella, Chair; Cynthia Dokmo, Lisa Eastland, Nathan Jensen (Via phone), Bruce Berry, Cemetery Sexton; Pat Delisle, Executive Assistant,

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Marie Grella at 7:35 am

Citizens' Forum- There was no citizen comments.

Minutes of October 20, 2016 – Cynthia makes a motion to accept the minutes as amended, seconded by Marie, all in favor, motion passes.

Forestview Cemetery Trail: Attorney Drescher advised the trustees to seek the opinion of Terry Knowles. Terry Knowles has stated that this does not meet the requirements for Forestview Cemetery and cannot be done.

The Granite Wall: Cynthia makes a motion to withdraw \$8000.00 from the unrestricted trust fund to pay Anthony Luongo to rebuild the wall at Town Hall Cemetery. This motion is seconded by Marie, all were in favor, and motion passes. Cynthia spoke with Trustees of the Trust fund and was told that if we had a record of 1 grave being purchased and part of the purchase price was applied to perpetual care the perpetual care trust fund could be used for the repair of the Granite wall. This will be researched and discussed again at the Cemetery Trustees next meeting.

Reimbursement to the Town of Amherst: Cynthia would like to wait one more month to determine the percentage to be withdrawn from each fund. Cynthia would like to leave the "Unrestricted Trust" and the "Cemetery Trust" untouched. All are in agreement to wait one more month.

Warrant Article for Ballot: The Trustees would like to use the Perpetual Care fund will be used for the construction of Forestview Cemetery. This cannot be done without a Cy-Pres. A Cy-Pres would most likely take 60 days and was completed by Bill Drescher and would need to be sent to the Charitable Trust for processing. This would be contingent on the Cy-Pres. Discussion for the wording of the warrant article will be needed. Cynthia would also ask for a meeting with Jim O'Mara and Dwight Brew to seek permission to meet with the Town Attorney

Cynthia went to the Trustee of the Trust Fund meeting and wonders if there is a dollar amount that should be place in a short term fund for the work to be completed on Forestview Cemetery. If there is a certain dollar amount that would be needed prior to July 2017 for drafting plans, or the bid process where this process may not be able to be started before July. Doug Grenier from G2+1 will be asked to give us a cost.

Sprinkler system: Cynthia asks if this topic can be discussed when all who are involved will be present, she would like the sprinkler system to be kept, in case it is needed for Forestview. This will be discussed with Doug Grenier also,

Other items

Cynthia makes a motion to acknowledge the "right to Inter" for lots 40F, 41F, 400 and 105C-3. Seconded by Marie, motion passes.

Cynthia makes a motion to close the cemeteries as of December 1, 2016, seconded by Marie, all in favor, motion passes.

Cynthia will be discussing the Cy-Pres with the Board of Selectman and will be put on the agenda for November 28, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Delisle