

# WILLIAMSTOWN CEMETERY COMMISSION

August 22, 2019  
Minutes

**Present:** John Perkins, CH, Susan Lyons, Daphne Herwig, Matt Couillard, Orvil Lasell, Joe Mangan

The Meeting was called to order at 7:04 P.M.

**Minutes:** Minutes from the July 25, 2019 Minutes were reviewed. Motion made by Daphne H. to accept as written. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt C. All voted to accept. Minutes approved.

**Budget Status Report:** Budget Status Report for 8-22-19 presented.

**Warrants:** Kirkyard Services, LLC for August 2019, \$3,687.50; Kirkyard Services, burial and misc. expenses, \$5,917.50; John Perkins, reimbursement for tree damage in Village, \$52.64. Total paid out = \$9,657.64

**Income:** July burial income received \$325.00. July 26 burial payment: R. Sinclair

## New Business:

John P. West Hill Cemetery Road done. The bill has been received for \$6,548.75 – Warrant presented at tonight's meeting for signing. This money is being taken out of the Cemetery Project Reserve Fund which had \$22,309.74 in it and this will leave a balance of \$15,760.99.

Marshfield Tree Service called on July 30<sup>th</sup> to decline the job in Village Cemetery taking down the big Maple tree. So I called and spoke with Jeremy from VT Expert Tree & Landscaping and asked if he would be able to do this at the bid price he had quoted us (\$6,400.00) and he said yes. He will start this the end of September.

Dirty Rock gave us an Estimate for 40 more stones in Village Cemetery for \$375.00. He would finish the Smith Lot, Porter Lot and the Bass Lot Row. Estimate was o.k.'d by all.

There is a wash out on the back road in the Village that will need approximately 8 ton of Pike's staymat. Is this something that Joe can pick up?

Joe M. Yes – it will take about a total of 4 yards to fix.

John P. The fence on the bottom of Village Cemetery was broken during the last storm and was fixed by Joe and I. Boards were replaced and I painted the new ones.

Can we have Joe's report now.

Joe M. I fixed 68 in West Hill and 56 stones in East Hill Cemeteries. There are more still to be straightened. I received the complaint on filling in the burial too soon on Eugene Carrier. I apologize, the Funeral Director was picking up and I was helping them and then just started filling it in. I'll try and be more aware in the future.

John P. I worked with Dennis Beaudin on fixing a stone in East Hill. Once it was straightened we propped it up with rods in the back to hold it and Joe fixed the base. We also need a motion to have Joe fill in the truck tire marks in the West Hill Cemetery. When can you start filling in the sunken spots.

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Joe M. I can give you a ball park figure on doing this work.

John P. Can we do 64 more stones to straighten?

Orvil L. Should look and pick the worst ones that might not make it through next winter.

John P. I would like to have 40 stones cleaned in East Hill to start with – starting at the back side of the old section. I believe it is the Martin Row. Joe are you interested?

Joe M. Can it be more than the 40 because I'll have to haul water in for cleaning.

John P. How's 80?

Joe M. O.k. All the cemeteries have been mowed this week.

Daphne H. I'll make the motion to approve cleaning 80 stones in all. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt C.

Susan L. We have a problem in the West Hill Cemetery with the Zampieri lot. Their Deed is for Lot #44 and we found four "Z" corner markers on Lot #50. Not sure who put them there or if they are even the Zampieri's corner posts. I checked with both Tom & Kathy and they had not changed their lot position and do not want to change it. They purchased their lot in 2015 and paid for the corner posts and to have them installed. I didn't find anymore Deeds with a last name of "Z" purchasing a lot. Could be in the missing Deed book.

Joe M. He didn't install them.

Orvil L. There is a David Zampieri listed in the 2019 Grand List book.

Susan L. I'll have to do some checking. This all came about because we were looking at lots for Yvan and Donna LeBlanc who had purchased a lot in 2015 and hadn't picked out a site yet. They want the last lot available as you come into the cemetery by the Maple trees and we agreed to give them an extra two feet because of the roots and location. The size agreed on is 12' x 5'. The lots will be surveyed/measured by us from the last lot sold – Lot #50 – which has four "Z" corner posts. They had paid for four corner posts and installation in 2015.

**Old Business:**

Susan L. The Poirier Burial extra charges have been paid and Mrs. Poirier included a note expressing her thoughts on the extra charges. Was not happy about them even though both the Funeral Home called her regarding this and our Lot Purchaser letter explains about this also.

Susan L. I make the motion to adjourn this meeting - - 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt C.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:52 P.M.

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NEXT MEETING: September 26, 2019

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