

WILLIAMSTOWN CEMETERY COMMISSION

November 21, 2019

Minutes - Draft

Present: Susan Lyons, Daphne Herwig, Matt Couillard, Orvil Lasell, Joe & Kaira Mangan

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.
Orvil ran this meeting as John P. was absent.

Minutes: Minutes from the October 24, 2019 Minutes were reviewed. Motion made by Daphne to accept with corrections. 2nd by Matt C. Passed and Minutes were approved.

Budget Status Report: Budget Status Report for 11-20-19 presented.

Warrants: Kirkyard Services, LLC for: Install of Zampieri corner posts - \$40.00; purchase & install of corner posts for LeBlanc & Tillotson - \$336.00, West, East & Village Cemeteries, dirt work done, \$3,200.00. Total paid out = \$3,704.00

Income: November Misc. Income: Tillotson \$128.00 corner posts

New Business:

Orvil L. The budget figures look o.k. on the Budget Status Report. Any questions? None - - o.k.

We have Joe's Kirkyard Services contract for 2020 to look over.
Joe are the full burial prices of \$650.00 still o.k.?

Joe M. Yes – they are o.k. as is. All the prices are the same.

Susan L. I'll make the Motion to accept Kirkyard Services contract for 2020 as presented for the contract amount of \$29,500.00.
2nd by Matt C. All approved.

Joe M. I would like to mention that I have been thinking of just installing the corner posts only twice a year.

Susan L. I believe that John P. wanted these done at the time of the Lot sales. We need to charge for the purchase and installation of the corner posts at the time that the lot is purchased. All the work needs to be done as soon as the corner posts are ordered and picked up. Work orders also need to be turned in as soon as the work is done too.

Susan L. We will need to go over our prices for next year. I would like to wait and go over this at the December meeting as I have been checking prices with different towns and have a couple more to look at.

Orvil L. The gate at East Hill Cemetery was shut not locked. Someone had picked it off the pins. Not always easy to put it back on. Wish there was an easy way to block the hinge pins so this couldn't happen again.

Orvil L. What is happening with the trees in the Village Cemetery that were supposed to be cut?

Susan L. John P. will be checking with Jeremy Haggett of VT Tree Service to see if he will honor the price he gave us last year to do the job at some point this coming spring.

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Discussion: Talked about picking up the flags in the Village Cemetery on Sat., Nov 16th and the issue we had with the big flag. The line had broken and wrapped around the solar light and also on the maple tree. The line will need to be replaced again next year. Also talked about the larger flags that we purchased for the cemeteries. They didn't seem to hold up as well – the longer sticks bent and broke and the flags were frayed. A lot to replace for next year.

Joe M. I think you could check on special flag pole rope with the Montpelier Stove & Flag Works in Montpelier.

Susan L. Will mention this to John and ask him to check on a special flag pole rope when he checks on flags to order for next year.

Orvil L. Might consider re-ordering the smaller flags.

Susan L. At the last meeting we spoke about the Martin stone in West Hill Cem that is broken and needs to be fixed.

Joe M. John P. asked me to give him a price and I quoted him \$150.00. I'll look at it again in the spring.

Discussion followed – if it is close to what it would cost to order a grass marker it makes more sense to probably fix the stone.

Daphne H. I checked with one of the relatives about sharing the cost and wasn't able to get a commitment.

Old Business:

Orvil L. Any other business? None - -

Daphne H. I'll make the motion to adjourn this meeting - - 2nd by Matt C.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:45 P.M.

NEXT MEETING: Dec. 19, 2019 (?)
