

# WILLIAMSTOWN CEMETERY COMMISSION

December 19, 2019

Minutes - Draft

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

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

**Minutes:** Minutes from the November 21, 2019 Minutes were reviewed. Motion made by Daphne to accept - 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt C. Minutes were approved.

**Budget Status Report:** Budget Status Report for 11-18-19 presented.

**Warrants:** Kirkyard Services, LLC for: Installation of (3) Grass markers/ Cheney/Hagerty/Bartlett – total of \$75.00 paid out. (Warrant signed at tonight's meeting.)

**Income:** None received

## **New Business:**

John P. Regarding the trees that need to be taken care of in the Village Cemetery – I will speak with Jeremy Haggett of VT Tree Service in the Spring and see if he will be able to do the job and hopefully at the price that was quoted in 2019.

Discussion on raising our Cemetery Prices. Susan handed out information on several local cemeteries and their prices.

John P. Joe had raised his price last year on the Full Burial rate to \$650 and our rate stayed the same. I would suggest raising our rate to \$700.00

Orvil L. Is there anything in the Cemetery Regulations that addresses the increase in rates for folks that cannot pay?

John P. Looked through the Regulations and did not find anything regarding this. So – New Internment Rates/Full Burial: Weekdays – increase to \$700 and Holidays/Weekends – increase to \$800.00

Orvil L. Sounds reasonable.

All agreed.

John P. Cremation Rates – Weekdays – increase to \$350.00 and Holidays/Weekends – increase to \$450.00.

Orvil L. Motion to accept the above – 2<sup>nd</sup> by Susan L.  
All agreed. Motion passed.

Orvil L. Once a Lot has been sold the price should have one set figure that includes the Lot – either for Full Burials or Cremations to include the purchase of the four (4) corner posts and installation of them. Lot price plus \$210.00.

John P. I make a motion that we increase the installation fee on the four corner posts from \$55.00 to \$60.00.  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt C. – All approved – Motion passed.

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Susan L. I had a question from Dan Hegarty regarding the Hattie Lot next to theirs. He found a letter that I have a copy of from Jean Hattie giving permission for their family (MacAulay/Hegarty) to use the remaining space on their lot. He would like to know if this is sufficient for them to be able to have access to the Hattie lot for any future Hegarty burials.

Orvil L. He has a brother Daryl and he should check with him to see if he will want to be buried on this lot and if not – then we would need a letter from Daryl specifying that he gives up his right to be buried there. (Also Dan mentioned an Aunt Doris – we would need a letter from her also.)

John P. Cemetery flags for next year - should we go with the bigger flags - - we have approximately 50 left over. I'll look the ones we picked up over and see what condition they are in – we need the smaller wood shaft.

Discussion on the larger flags - - wood shafts were bent or broken.

Orvil L. I think that we should do the bigger flags. We could try to devise a metal piece that would fit into the current holders to give the stick more support.

Discussion followed on how to do this and what material might work best. Will look for some tubing to extend the support of the flags. We might then be able to go with the flags with the standard size wood shaft.

John P. Do we need a meeting in January?

Discussion followed and all agreed that there was no need until March of 2020.

**Old Business:**

John P. Any other business? None - -

Susan L. I'll make the motion to adjourn this meeting - - 2<sup>nd</sup> by Daphne H.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:00 P.M.

NEXT MEETING: March 26, 2020

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