## WILLIAMSTOWN CEMETERY COMMISSION

March 23, 2023 \*\* Minutes - Draft

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

The Meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M. at the Town Office. Orvil Lasell was asked to run the meeting until new officers were elected.

Minutes: Minutes from November 17, 2022 were reviewed. Motion made by Daphne H. to accept as

written, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Orvil L. All approved and Motion passed.

Budget Status Report: Budget Status Report for 03/22/2023 was presented.

Warrants: None received.

**Income:** None received.

## **New Business:**

Orvil L. Opening the meeting for the Election of Officers. Is there a nomination for Chair?

Susan L. I'll make the Motion to nominate Matt Couillard as Chair.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Daphne H.

Orvil L. Any other nominations? None - - All approved and Motion passed.

Matt C. I'll make the Motion to nominate Susan L. for Secretary.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Daphne H. All approved and Motion passed.

Orvil L. Any other nominations? Vice Chair? There was a board that didn't have one and the Chair

was out of town for a meeting and a VC had to be appointed.

Susan L. Yes – that was the BCA and I was voted in for that one meeting only.

So, I would like to nominate Orvil L. as Vice Chair. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Daphne H. All approved and Motion passed.

The Meeting was turned over to Matt C., Chair

John P. I have talked with Logan Clark to check on getting an invoice for the work he did in Village

Cemetery. He's been very busy but said he would look into this. I haven't talked to him yet

about getting a load for the lower driveway off Rte. 14.

Susan L. Would you like to speak to him about this for us?

John P. I could do that since I've talked with him before.

Matt C. Looking at the Budget - - we still need to pay Joe for April, May & June.

Discussion followed regarding the added gas price if the price per gallon goes over \$4.00 per gallon.. So far – to date- the price is under \$4.00 per gallon. (This is based on the price of

regular gas.)

John P. Matt – you might check with Joe on the gas prices.

Daphne H. When do we get the money from the Town for our Budget?

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| Orvil L.  | The Town covers us and the new budget doesn't start until the 1 <sup>st</sup> of July. We present the Warrants and the bills get paid.                                                                                                                                                                              |
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|           | Other/Old Business:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Susan L.  | The ARPA money is still available and we discussed maybe putting in a request for money to sandblast and re-paint the fence around thelot in the West Hill Cemetery.                                                                                                                                                |
|           | Discussion followed – it would have to be done in the cemetery so as not to damage the fence by taking it apart. Mobile Sanblast and paint. Need to get pricing on this. Check with John Pelkey ? Azea Pelkey sp? (?) Tom Zampieri?                                                                                 |
| John P.   | I have ordered the flags from the Montpelier Stove Works – 156 of the larger ones like we have had in the past and the price is \$1.75 each. They will call me when they are in and I'll pick them up. They bill us and we can send them a check.                                                                   |
| Matt C.   | Did we need to replace the large flag in the Village? Discussion followed and we will look into it and maybe get prices on different materials.                                                                                                                                                                     |
| John P.   | We might have one available, let me check before you order one.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Susan L.  | I had a phone call from someone asking to see if it would be possible to put a grass marker on the family lot for her sister who passed. No burial – just the marker. Her family has two lots side by side, one has her Dad already buried with space for Mom and the other is her brother's.                       |
| Matt C.   | We will need to get permission in writing from the family.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Susan L.  | l'Il let her know.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Susan L.  | We had three people that said they were interested in joining our board and I sent them each a letter to let them know that we would need a "Letter of Interest" from them and invited them to our meeting tonight.  Discussion followed Since no one showed up tonight it was decided to send them another letter. |
| Matt C.   | Anything else? No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Daphne H. | I'll make the Motion to adjourn – 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Susan L. All approved.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| MEETING   | ADJOURNED AT 7:45 P.M. NEXT MEETING: April 27, 2023                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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