Lakeville Cemetery Commission

Meeting Minutes April 19, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 10:08 a.m. by Chairman Upham in the Local History Room of the Lakeville Public Library.

Members present: Commissioners Upham and Orrall and Commissioner Beal, who arrived 10 minutes late.

Guests: Former Commissioner Morton

Minutes of the March 22, 2022 meeting were read and approved.

New Business:

- 1. In reorganization, Commissioner Orrall was named as Chairman. Upon Commissioner Beal's late arrival, a disagreement arose over the reorganization of the Commission. Commissioner Beal opposed the appointment of Commissioner Orrall as chairman, stating that the reorganization should not have occurred until after his arrival at the meeting. His opposition was overruled by virtue of the fact that he was late and the meeting had proceeded according to the agenda.
- 2. A bill from Ramaker- the software used for mapping and layout, CIMS Cloud and Tech Support- for \$600.00 was presented for payment.

Old Business:

- 1. Commissioner Orrall and Joan Morton will look at Phoebe Turner's table stone at Thompson Hill and discuss how to repair it in a manner to restore it in keeping with its antique tradition. Tabled until the next meeting.
- 2. John Pink is working on the new layout for Strobridge Cemetery.
- 3. The signs prohibiting vehicular traffic in Cemeteries during inclement weather in the winter have not yet been ordered. Commissioner Upham will have them made.
- 4. Commissioner Upham presented his research on prices being charged by four local cemeteries. Further discussion re raising Lakeville's fees was tabled until the next meeting.
- 5. Cemetery Inspection Assignments were reviewed. Commissioner Orrall stated

that it was difficult for him to get to Precinct 2, which is located deep in the woods. Commissioner Beal said that he would take over this cemetery for inspection.

- 6. After a contentious discussion it was reaffirmed that the Chairman will remain as the primary person in charge to take calls re funerals, but any Commissioner could be on call to take the info concerning a funeral or be the commissioner in attendance at a funeral. Commissioner Beal opposed this, stating that he thought the Chairman should be the sole person contacted.
- 7. A letter was received from Alicia Bredberg of Margeaux Drive who wanted to clean stones and beautify cemeteries in conjunction with the Litter Lifters. Chairman Orrall will send her a letter stating that the Commission could not approve this because stones and plots are private property and the Highway Dept. maintains the town's cemeteries.
- 8. Commissioner Beal was given a copy of Duties and Responsibilities of Cemetery Commissioners to sign.
- 9. There are three new monuments to set at The Veteran's Cemetery.
- 10. The roads at Thompson Hill and Precinct Cemeteries need to be repaired.

The next meeting will be on May 10th at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.