Lakeville Cemetery Commission Meeting Minutes September 21, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Chairman Upham in the Local History Room of the Lakeville Public Library.

Members present: Commissioners Upham, Orrall and Morton

Guests: None

Minutes of the August 17, 2021 were read. The minutes were amended to remove "Remote Location" and to correct the spelling of the name "Wombolt" to Wambolt. The minutes were approved with these corrections.

New Business:

1. Renumbering Graves at Strobridge Cemetery

Grave #12 was sold twice. Party #1 has a deed for Grave #12, which has a full body burial. Party #2 has a deed for Grave #12 and Grave #13. Cremains from the family of party #2 were placed in Grave #13. Party #2 wants the body removed from Grave #12 because her mother was suspicious about the number thirteen. The body in Grave #12 will not be removed. We will give Party #2 Grave #14 and eliminate Grave #13 altogether. Grave #12 will become Grave #11A. Grave #12 will become the old Grave #13. Party #2 will have Graves #12 and #14. Their monument will be moved 2 ½ feet to be centered on their plot. Party #1 is fine with this change. The Cemetery Commission has the authority to do this as is stated on Page 2, Paragraph 5 of the Cemetery Commission Rules and Regulations. New deeds will be issued to both parties. The Commission will send a letter to both parties explaining this discussion.

2. Thompson Hill Progress

We need 10 more posts to complete The center line between Thompson Hill and Precinct Cemeteries. The Cemetery Commission budget balance is currently \$6401.79 of which we owe \$2000.00 to South East Fence for work at Thompson Hill. The company supplying the granite posts for the center line has one block of matching granite remaining, from which they could cut twelve posts. They can save this block for us at a cost of \$4500.00. Discussion ensued as to whether we could borrow the money from the Perpetual Care Fund or get the money from the General Fund. A motion was made and seconded to purchase the granite for the posts, contingent upon acquiring the funds needed.

3. Commissioner Orrall reported that a tree with a burl on it had been cut down and the entire tree has been removed from Haskins Cemetery. Chairman Upham will

contact the Highway Dept. to see if they removed the tree or if it was stolen.

4. A motion was made by Commissioner Morton and seconded by Commissioner Orrall to offer Chairman Upham a plot at the Veterans Cemetery at no cost in honor of his years as a Cemetery Commissioner. Chairman Upham accepted the offer with thanks.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.