

Lakeville Cemetery Commission

Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 10:11 a.m. by Chairman Upham in the Local History Room of the Lakeville Public Library.

Members present: Commissioners Upham, Beal and Morton.

Guests: None

Minutes of the December 10, 2019 meeting were read and approved.

Old Business:

1. Fence repair work at Strobridge has been completed and South East Fence has been paid.
2. John Meleedy of South East Fence has not checked on the granite posts in Dartmouth. He will do it next week.
3. Chairman Upham has been unable to locate John Pink to discuss the survey of Strobridge. He will continue to try to locate him.

New Business:

1. Cemetery Payments. Chris Reed is paid to dig graves from our budget of \$13,000.00. Money from this comes from our budget and is reimbursed by the family of the deceased. This money goes back into the general funds. We will contact the Finance Committee to see why the money is not returned to the Cemetery Commission. Chairman Upham will prepare a letter which we will review.
2. In an exception to Cemetery Rules and Regulations, a motion was made and seconded to give Fred Beal a plot of his choosing at the Veterans Cemetery for \$1.00 and eliminate the Perpetual Care fee in honor of his years of service as a Cemetery Commissioner.
3. Roan Barber is rebuilding the wall at McCully Cemetery. Approval was granted for him to purchase a pallet of stone for the repairs.

4. Recognition Plaque for the Veterans Cemetery. Chairman Upham stated that he would like to have a plaque made saying when the Cemetery was dedicated and who the proponents were. Commissioners will look at forms of plaques and think about what it should say. We will review ideas at the next meeting.
5. Martin Newby has volunteered to take care of the plots of veterans buried at the Veterans Cemetery. He will be reimbursed for the costs of materials he purchases. A motion was made and seconded to accept the offer of Martin Newby to take care of the veterans graves at the Veterans Cemetery.
6. We need to discuss with Chris Reed the extra amount he would charge for the digging of a double grave. He can determine what he thinks is fair and we will review his thoughts on this. He has suggested \$400.00/ \$500.00 as a supplement. Tabled until we have a double burial and can determine how much extra work is involved.
7. The Cemetery Commission received a letter from Anthony F. Patterson re the cleaning of stones in our cemeteries. He has been in business for six months. We will send him a letter stating that we have no need for his services at this time.
8. Donna Ouellette was sent a letter dated 1-31-20 approving her request to be the sole owner of the Young cemetery plot at Thompson Hill. No recorded deed was located.
9. An invoice for \$1200.00 from Chris Reed for the opening and closing of the Zagouris grave at the Veterans Cemetery was approved for payment and given to the Town Accountant.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

The next meeting will be on March 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.