## **Cemetery Commission MEETING MINUTES**

November 19, 2008

Meeting called to order at 4:100PM by Chairman Upham.

Members present: Commissioners Richard De Moranville & Commissioner Bates.

Guests present: Ms Jean Douillette and Chris Peck...

Minutes of Meeting held on September 10, 2008 were read with one correction, Peck changed to Reed on page 2, accepted. Minutes of Meeting held on September 24, 2008 were approved and accepted.

## Unfinished business:

- 1. Rules and expectations for town grave diggers. This matter is tabled until the next meeting to be held on December 3, 2008.
- 2. Budget report for the town administrator tabled to allow all commissioners time to summit their recommendations.
- 3. Precinct cemetery was discussed at length. Commissioner Upham demonstrated viable alternatives for grave space by a showing an updated cemetery chart. It was agreed by all commissioners too close off the center road for burial space. Loam is needed to fill in the road and to be graded. The abutting side space between Precinct and Thompson Hill is also available and a 10 foot width will be used. Two additional areas show on the plot map are also available and would allow for additional burials. The Commissioners agreed to the sale of these lots after the first of the year and after they have been marked and prepared. Middleboro Gazette will be contacted by Commissioner Upham requesting an article be published regarding this. Chris Peck, highway department will place temporary barriers at both ends of the center road to prevent its use. Commissioner Bates, with the assistance of the highway department will prepare the road for burials before April 2009.
- 4. Commissioner Upham stated that a new deed book for Clark cemetery was to be printed and would be all available next month. Additionally he stated that the signs at at Horr and Clark cemetery needed repainting. Also that Horr and Clark cemetery are included with the Demaranville Cemetery. All three occupy the same area and corner lot markers are visable. The three cemeteries have been surveyed. The reports and plans of these surveys will be placed into the Clark Cemetery File. Additionally, a local neighbor may help in having the signs painted. The

commissioners agreed to allow the signs to be taken down for the purpose of repainting and given their custody to the neighbor with Commissioner Upham's supervision. Commissioner Bates asked if he could turn over to the neighbor signs for Booth# 1 and Booth# 2 as they needed repainting too. The Commissioners agreed that these two signs would also be turned over.

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- 5. The test bore for Strobridge cemetery is postponed until further notice.
- 6. Lot owners with violations will be notified by a form letter and given 30 days notice to correct the problem. The form letter attached is approved by the Commissioners.
- 7. The Commissioners agreed to coordinate cemetery problems and requests to the highway department by sending a copy of the request to the town administrator.

New Business: To be carried forward to the next meeting.

## Pay all Bills:

A motion to pay all bills was made by Commissioner Bates and seconded by Commissioner Demoranville. Approved.

There being no further business a motion was made by Commissioner DeMoranville to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Bates. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 5:46PM.

Next meeting will be held on January 14, 2009 Town Hall Conference Room.