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Grafton Cemetery Trustees

Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2021

Meeting called to order by Aime Jacques at 18:00.

Trustees present: Aime Jacques and Cindy Kudlik

Trustees absent: Jay Boucher

Also present: Ed Grinley, Sexton

Aime moved to accept the April 8, 2021 minutes; Cindy seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business

Signs – Should be up soon, Jerome needs to get a hold of Ed for placement.

Burn Pile at Pine Grove – Wasn't taken care of, not sure why.

Seasonal Workers – Applicant from last month had already found another job by the time Ed called him. Discussed pay rate and how strenuous the work is. Aime motioned to raise the starting rate for seasonal workers to \$13/hr and repost it; Cindy seconded. Motion passed.

Stone Cleaning – Canceled the May 6th cleaning due to rain. Weather looks good to get out on Saturday. Cindy mentioned that she might not be available for July 1st so we may have no cleaning done in July. Ed suggested we hire a company to clean stones at Pine Grove. The Atlas Preservation stone cleaning contest has been extended to the end of June.

Deed Transfer – Cindy received signed form back from original owner so the Sexton and Trustees signed it. The original will go to the new owners and copies will go to our files, original owner and Town Clerk.

Missing Deeds – Looked at list of missing deeds for Pine Grove and decided the first thing to do is to look and see if the lots are full and the names of those listed are deceased. If yes to both then no further action will be taken. If not, we will look into whether or not the unused lots can be sold and if so, what the process should be to do that.

New Business

Rachel Prosser – Aime spoke with Rachel Prosser about cornerstones and planting. Rachel will send a check made out to Laconia Monument to the Selectmen's office for \$200 for cornerstones once she's decided what letter she would like for Roger LaVoie's lot. Rachel would like to plant a bleeding heart plant; after some discussion the board decided to send her a letter telling her that we considered her request but don't feel that there's adequate space and over time the plant will overtake the stone and we will not maintain that. Cindy will draft the letter

Sexton Report

There were two burials, seven lots sold, four lots transferred, two burials scheduled for Saturday and one for the following Friday. Ed was contacted by Bonnie Nichols regarding cornerstones she purchased from an outfit in White River Junction that still have not been installed. He reiterated that this is why he only recommends Laconia Monument when asked. He also said that he mowed and raked at Pine Grove.

Correspondence - Received an email from Crypt Keeper that they are now able to generate invoice and will do so 31 days before accounts are due for renewal. Also received an email from Atlas Preservation regarding the stone cleaning contest being extended to June 30th.

Aime adjourned the meeting at 19:24.

Next meeting scheduled for June 10th at 6 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Kudlik