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Grafton Cemetery Trustees

Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2020

Meeting called to order by Aime Jacques at 18:02.

Trustees present: Aime Jacques and Cindy Kudlik

Trustees absent: Jay Boucher

Also present: Ed Grinley, Sexton

Aime moved to accept the October 8, 2020 minutes; Cindy seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business

Signs – Aime talked with Jerome Kramer and asked him to come to tonight’s meeting but he wasn’t available. Jerome is willing to do the work and shared pictures of other sign posts he’s made. He expects to be paid for material and labor. Ed suggested Aime let him know he has to turn in any bills he has before the end of the year so it comes out of this year’s budget.

Crypt Keeper – Discussed getting the information we have loaded and worrying about fixing all the mistakes after it’s all entered. Cindy has done Section 1 at Grafton Center and started on Section 2. Aime will work on Section 3 once Cindy forwards her the workable spreadsheet with that info.

New Business

Down headstones at Grafton Center – We received an email from Steve Decato who is concerned about an ancestor’s headstone that’s down, Robert Martin in 3S6. He would like to fix the headstone. Aime will let him know there is no perpetual care for that grave and we will discuss what can be done with him in the spring. Discussed spending time over the winter figuring out how to fix other stones that are down or broken so we can plan to do work on them next spring and summer. Also discussed that we took down quite a bit of problem foliage at Grafton Center on the 24th but there is more that should be done next year.

Huntley – Cindy suggested we get a gift card or something to thank Stephanie Russell for maintaining Huntley Cemetery this year. After some discussion it was decided to get her a \$50 Visa or Mastercard gift card rather than one from Jake’s or The 603.

Perpetual Care – Discussed including projections for December earnings in the request we need to put in before December 3rd when the Trustees of the Trust Funds meet next. We always seem to miss one month’s worth of interest because of needing to request funds in December so this will allow us to capture more of what we can each year. Cindy will put that together and send it to the

TTF.

Sexton Stipend – Aime moved to increase the Sexton stipend for 2020 only to \$2000 as he's done most of the mowing and trimming this year because we didn't have employees to do it; Cindy seconded. Motion passed. Request for payment was filled out and signed by Aime.

Other - Signed a corrective deed for Flad as Cindy had made the original deed with the wrong lot identified. Discussed Indigo's check needing to go back into our budget as he never provided a valid forwarding address when he quit and we've been unable to locate him to pay him. Also talked about the Valley News article regarding our Green Burials and that we should add some of the items mentioned about Lebanon to our regulations. Cindy bought another gallon of D2 because Atlas Preservation had a great sale going on so it was \$46.83 with shipping. Aime moved to reimburse Cindy the \$46.83; Cindy seconded. Motion passed. Payment request was filled out and signed by Aime.

Sexton Report

There was one burial (Tom Colburn) and no lots were sold. There may be two lots sold soon and Ed said he still hasn't received a bill from Laconia Monument for the row markers at Pine Grove.

Correspondence

One email from Sarah Vickery regarding Jesse, Grace and Shirley Whittier lots at Grafton Center. Cindy located them in Section 2, row B, lots 8a,b&c and sent her pictures of the head and foot stones. It was noted that there's quite a bit of lichen on the headstone and there is perpetual care so it will be at the top of the list for stone cleaning next year.

Cindy asked if there was interest in not having a meeting in December. Aime and Ed felt there was nothing pressing that couldn't wait until January so it was agreed to not meet in December.

Aime adjourned the meeting at 19:28.

Next meeting scheduled will be January 14, 2021 at 6 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Kudlik