

Town of Springfield – Cemetery Commissioners

Minutes

Selectmen's Hall - 96 Main Street - Third Floor

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Commissioners present: Hugh Putnam, Scott Page, Beth Gray, Gerry Patch, Cathryn Feickert and Barbara A. Courchesne, Ex-Officio.

Meeting called to order: Called to order at 5:12 p.m. by Town Clerk, Barbara A. Courchesne.

Additions to the Agenda: Cathryn confirmed with Gerry that they will try out the D2 product on their personal stones this year and report back the results at a later date. Cathryn has communicated with Boy Scout Troup 252 and they are interested in helping with winter debris clean up and raking in the cemeteries to fulfill their community service requirements. Cathryn will contact Sexton, Steve Knapp, and DPW Director, Jeff Strong, to coordinate in advance of Memorial Day. Hugh mentioned that a desirable Eagle Scout project could be to create and put up section signs on posts throughout the Oakland, Pine Grove and Summer Hill cemeteries.

Public Comment: None

Spring Cemetery Update & Review: Chair Page reported that the sexton has started cleanup of winter debris. Chair Page will check in with Surveyor, Chris Payton, regarding the survey of Pine Grove. Pins were purchased last year so the project should be able to get underway. Cathryn will check with the Horticulture teacher at RVTC to see if tree trimming in the cemeteries is possibly a student project. Chair Page reported that he and Town Manager, Jeff Mobus, talked a month ago regarding the Bartley property for sale, above Pine Grove and to the right of Cemetery Road, with a garage that includes an oil pit that could be used for public works trucks. There isn't money at this time for that purchase. It was mentioned that Brenda Richardson's property has the water/sewer lines running through it to Pine Brook Condominiums, which defeats the purpose of digging into the ground.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Gerry Patch and seconded by Beth Gray to adjourn at 5:38 p.m.; all voted in favor. Next meeting will be Wednesday, May 4th at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Courchesne

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