

FINAL Minutes of the Cemetery Trustees

Location of Meeting: Boscawen Municipal Facility
 116 North Main Street
 Boscawen, N.H. 03303

Present at Meeting: Beverly Lacoy, Cemetery Trustee
 Lauren Hargrave, Cemetery Trustee Secretary
 Dean Hollins, Sexton
 Susie Laughy, Alma Bean's Middle Daughter
 Dean Laughy, Alma Bean's Son-in-law

The regular meeting of the Cemetery Trustees was called to order at the Boscawen Municipal Facility, 116 North Main Street, Boscawen, N.H. on October 18, 2023, at 9:02 a.m.

Approval of minutes from last meeting:

Lauren Hargrave reported after reviewing the recording of the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 20, 2023, they were amended as follows: Per Irene Wright's request at the September 27, 2023, Regular Meeting, the following sentence was removed "Diane Ross stated this is when the family found out Cindy Peterson had purchased the lot for their mother and wanted to control it." Additionally, Lauren Hargrave reported after reviewing the recording of the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 20, 2023, Irene Wright's request at the September 27, 2023, Regular Meeting to remove or change the sentence on page two which states "Dean Hollins also reported the family tried to come up with a compromise but there is a disagreement on a headstone.", as she was questioning the wording "disagreement to a headstone". This request was not honored as the statement was actually made by Dean Hollins during the meeting.

Beverly Lacoy made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 20, 2023, as amended. Seconded by Lauren Hargrave. Passed Unanimously.

Beverly Lacoy made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 27, 2023. Seconded by Lauren Hargrave. Passed Unanimously.

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Review of Forms: *Lauren Hargrave made a motion to table reviewing the Forms until the next meeting to be reviewed when the Chair, Rhoda Hardy, is available. Seconded by Beverly Lacoy. Passed Unanimously.*

Other Business:

1. Alma Bean's Cemetery Plot Issue: Dean Laughy addressed the Cemetery Trustees and thanked them for taking the time this morning to let him speak. Dean Laughy apologized on behalf of Susie Laughy and himself for the entire cemetery issue coming before the Trustees as they have more important things to do. Further, Dean Laughy explained he has read the Cemetery Trustees regular minutes of September 20, 2023, and September 27, 2023, and requested that he be allowed to make two comments. First, so the Trustees are aware, Dean Laughy explained that there was a statement in the minutes that said the family was surprised that the plot was not in Alma's name. Further, Dean Laughy expressed the statement was incorrect as they possess a documented email which expresses differently. Dean Laughy explained that it all began on March 17, 2023, with Irene Wright speaking with Dean Hollins regarding the cemetery plot for Alma Bean. On April 5, 2023, there was a comment within an email which stated "from what I understand she will be buried there in a plot either purchased by her or by my sister Cindy. Then documentation after that date states and shows the plot was in Cindy's name at that time. Dean Laughy noted this occurred nine weeks prior to Alma Bean's burial. When Cindy purchased the plot in 2021 there were other family members who knew it was a married-up plot. Dean Laughy wanted the Cemetery Trustees to know that it was purchased jointly with Alma, but it was purchased with Cindy's name, and it was known as there is a document from Irene Wright which was sent to the entire family showing that. Secondly, Dean Laughy apologized that he and Susie did not attend the first two meetings. They were aware that the Trustees have a Cemetery Committee meeting on the third Wednesday of each month, but not aware that there was going to be any discussions regarding Cindy's plot in those meetings and that is why other family members were not present. He pointed out that the minutes stated the family knew about the meetings, but they did not. Lauren Hargrave explained that his statements will be in the next set of Cemetery Trustee meeting minutes which can be viewed on the website. Further, Lauren Hargrave apologized for their loss and explained that as the other family members were previously told at the meeting of September 27, 2023, it is out of the Cemetery Trustees hands and at this point it is a legal matter, although the Trustees do appreciate them coming in to clarify some things it is not necessary for him to apologize as that is what the Trustees are here for. Lauren Hargrave further expressed that she is sorry that this issue is taking place, especially during

the grief process. Dean Laughy also questioned if the plot could be placed in Alma's name as she is deceased, as he does not believe you can gain ownership if you are deceased. Lauren Hargrave informed him she does not know, and Dean Hollins reported he does not know either as this is his first time experiencing this. A brief discussion took place regarding the estate and the fact that it is a legal matter so is out of the Cemetery Trustees' hands.

Meeting Closed: *Lauren Hargrave made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Beverly Lacoy. Passed Unanimously.* The meeting closed at 9:14 a.m.

Next Meeting: The Next Regular Meeting of the Cemetery Trustees will be held at the Boscawen Municipal Facility, 116 North Main, Boscawen, N.H. on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Lauren Hargrave, Cemetery Trustee Secretary 10/22/2023.