

FINAL Minutes of the Cemetery Trustees

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

Present at Meeting: Rhoda Hardy, Cemetery Trustee Chair
 Beverly Lacey, Cemetery Trustee
 Lauren Hargrave, Cemetery Trustee Secretary
 Dean Hollins, Sexton

The regular meeting of the Cemetery Trustees was called to order at the Boscawen Municipal Facility, 116 North Main Street, Boscawen, N.H. on November 15, 2023, at 9:09 a.m.

Approval of minutes from last meeting:

Beverly Lacey made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 18, 2023. Seconded by Lauren Hargrave. Passed Unanimously.

Old Business: None

1. Previous Business Status Update: Rhoda Hardy questioned if there has been any further information received relative to Alma Bean's Cemetery Plot issue. Dean Hollins reported he has not heard anything further. Lauren Hargrave noted that Katie Phelps did receive an email from Irene Wright which stated the matter has been filed in court. Dean Hollins read the following from the Irene Wright email dated October 31, 2023: "A motion of cemetery matters has been filed with the courts on October 4th. Therefore, no matters whatsoever should be discussed or shared as public knowledge. All matters regarding Alma Bean's cemetery matters are in the court's discretion at this time." The Town of Boscawen is not named in this court dispute. This is a family matter. No further discussion will take place regarding this matter until an order from the court is received by Katie Phelps, Town Administrator, or Dean Hollins, Sexton.

New Business: None

Other Business:

1. Dean Hollins reported it is now Budget Season and questioned if the Cemetery Trustees wanted to change the budget numbers from last year. Dean also reported

he will be purchasing a new weedwhacker as there is an old one which needs to be replaced. He will also purchase the mower blades and belts, along with other things necessary for the spring season, with the left-over money in the budget. Additionally, Dean Hollins noted he does not feel the budget should be cut in case there is a grub issue at Beaver Dam Cemetery next year, like there was this year, the appropriate chemical application can be applied. The Cemetery Trustees all agreed there is enough money using the current budget figures and no changes need to be made to the budget this year. Rhoda Hardy noted some things should be done in the cemeteries with funds from the Cemetery Trust Fund. Lauren Hargrave reported that perhaps the Cemetery Trustees should consider purchasing a metal sign with the cemetery rules imprinted on it to be placed at Pine Grove Cemetery. The Cemetery Trustees had previously discussed a sign or type of structure to post the Cemetery Rules. Rhoda Hardy questioned which cemeteries and how many signs in each cemetery would be needed. Lauren Hargrave believes the Rules and Regulations should be posted at Pine Grove Cemetery, one in the front part of the cemetery and one in the back part of the cemetery. The sign would note that Pine Grove Cemetery is Boscawen's active cemetery for burials. It was also noted that although Beaver Dam Cemetery still accepts burials, it has not had an active burial there in years and does not seem to be visited as frequently as Pine Grove Cemetery. A discussion took place regarding the use of signs, placement, size, etc. *Beverly Lacey made a motion for Lauren Hargrave to investigate purchasing signs regarding the Rules and Regulations for Pine Grove Cemetery. Seconded by Rhoda Hardy. Passed Unanimously*

2. Cemetery Trustee Winter Projects: Lauren Hargrave suggested the Cemetery Trustees consider working together on organization and documentation of the cemetery file cabinet located at the Town Offices. Rhoda Hardy reported she does have a couple of letters at home relative to the Pine Grove Cemetery Spread Sheet. Additionally, Rhoda Hardy would like the Cemetery Trustees to continue to tackle the Pine Grove Cemetery Spread Sheet.

Meeting Closed: *Beverly Lacey made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Lauren Hargrave. Passed Unanimously.* The meeting closed at 9:40 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, December 20, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Lauren Hargrave, Cemetery Trustee Secretary 11/19/2023.