

Cemetery Trustee Meeting
Minutes
April 19, 2017

Present at meeting: Mary Dickson, Steve Trombly, Troy Swanick
Guests: Leslie Stearns, Susan Patterson (DAR)

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Mary Dickson.

1. Leslie Stearns and Susan Patterson from the D.A.R. gave a brief presentation regarding a monument they would like to place in the Elm Street Cemetery in honor of Josiah Crosby. As there was no cost to the Trustees involved with this project and no objections to what they were proposing, no vote was needed. Approval for their project was given.
2. The next order of business was to elect a new chairman. Mary Dickson nominated Steve Trombly. Kris Jensen (our newly elected trustee) seconded the nomination. All voted in favor. Steve Trombly is the new Chairman of the Cemetery Trustees.
3. Minutes from the 07/14/16 meeting were reviewed by Steve and Mary as Kris was not a trustee at the time.. A motion was made by Steve to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Mary. All in favor.
4. The next item for discussion was the water issue within the cemeteries. As of the meeting date no water had been turned on in the cemeteries. We discussed the issues with the well at Kaley in that the DES has notified the town that it isn't to be used for irrigation due to contamination that was found. We discussed the possibility of drilling a test well between Kaley and the cemetery to see if that site was contaminated. If it isn't, we could use that well for irrigation in the cemetery and at Kaley field. Troy said he would discuss the matter with Ricky and see if we could ask the state why we can't use the well.
5. Non-approved items in the cemetery were again an item for discussion. Troy advised that there were signs in place reference items being removed. We discussed putting an ad in the Cabinet advising all items would be removed by a certain date. We also agreed that items (the first time around) should be removed and stored in the cemetery building in case the owners want to come get them. They would need to contact the DPW office in order to make an appointment with Troy to pick them up. It was also suggested that we notify the PD so they won't be flooded with "theft" reports.
6. Troy advised that – time permitting – they would like to start straightening the stones in the Elm Street cemetery.

7. Fence at Union Street – Troy advised that some rails need to be replaced and they would be taking care of that.
8. Street signs for the cemetery were discussed. It was decided that some “section” markers would be helpful as well as “street” signs for the major streets. Troy will give some thought to where to put the signs and how many to get etc.
9. Mary Dickson advised that the balance of the Right to Inter Fund as of the end of November was \$88,464.58.
10. We briefly discussed the paving of some of the roads at Riverside. As neither Chris nor Ricky was present we made no decisions. The subject will be revisited at the next meeting.
11. Troy inquired if we might be able to start using credit cards for the purchase of cemetery lots. All agreed it was something we should look into.
12. As there were no further items for discussion, a motion was made by Steve to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Kris. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:30.

Next meeting: TBD

Respectfully submitted,

Mary V. Dickson
April 20, 2017