Cemetery Trustee Meeting Minutes September 17, 2019

Present at meeting: Mary Dickson, Steve Trombly, Kris Jensen, Ricky Riendeau, Troy Swanick

The meeting was called to order at 8:58 a.m. by Mary Dickson.

- 1. The first order of business was to elect a new chairman. Steve nominated Mary for chairman. Kris seconded the nomination. All voted in favor.
- 2. The minutes from the 5/02/18 meeting were reviewed. Kris made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Steven seconded the motion. All in favor.
- 3. Repairs to the North Yard fence were discussed. Steve and Troy will work together to get the minor repairs done. Minimal cost involved will be covered by the cemetery budget of DPW per Ricky.
- 4. Emergency egress from Jacques school through Elm Street cemetery in the case of an active shooter scenario was the next topic of discussion. Off. Addonizio had approached the trustees about this issue. The original plan was to put a gate in the back fence and have the children egress through the cemetery to the front gate on Elm Street. This plan would require a considerable amount of room for stairs to access the cemetery through the school parking lot so it wasn't really feasible. Ricky and Mary went out to the cemetery and proposed an alternate route. This would involve putting in a gate to the fence behind Jacques that abuts the cemetery fence. A small path (with stone dust) would be constructed to allow the children to access a gate that already exists in the back of the cemetery which Troy and the cemetery crew use to dispose of leaves etc. The children would use this gate and proceed down along the existing fence of the cemetery until they reach a point where the elevation of the land on the outside of the fence would allow for stairs to be constructed. A gate will be installed in the cemetery fence that abuts Keyes field and stairs would allow the children to egress to Keyes Field. Once concern was the steepness of the hill by the gate that already exists. Some type of barrier would need to be created to make sure the children didn't run down the incline. On further examination it was suggested that the "swing" to the gate be changed allowing the gate itself to be a barrier. Kris made a motion to offer this proposal to Off. Addonizio for emergency egress from Jacques school to Keyes Field. Steve seconded the motion. All in favor.
- 5. The water at Riverside was the next topic for discussion. Troy advised that he has found 6 shutoffs at Riverside if anyone wants to tackle the project in the spring. Kris stated that things have been working pretty well the way it is and thinks we should just leave it for now. Steve and Mary were in agreement.

- 6. Street signs were brought up for discussion again. It was decided that Mary will get some prices on the signs/section markers that were decided on and Troy will decide where to put some to begin the process and see if we like them. We will need to figure out the best way to designate the streets and sections so as not to confuse everyone. We want to try a few before we make a large investment.
- 7. Flags for veterans in the cemeteries. Marie Grella had approached the trustees regarding placing flags in the cemeteries for all the veterans. We will invite Marie to the next meeting so she can present her ideas.
- 8. As there were no other items for discussion Kris made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Steve. Meeting adjourned at 9:45.

Next meeting: TBD

Respectfully submitted,

Mary V. Dickson September 18, 2019