

Worcester Cemetery Commission Meeting Minutes
May 23rd, 2016

In attendance: Earlene Forbes (Chair), Francette Cerulli (Clerk), Cheri Goldstein

Earlene called the meeting to order at 5 pm.

1. The commissioners agreed to pay Joe Mangan of Kirkyard Services twice a month for mowing as he has requested instead of once a month as before. The commissioners will sign the two monthly check warrants at the same time, and Katie Winkeljohn (Town Clerk/Treasurer) will disburse the amounts to Kirkyard Services as payments come due.
2. The commissioners voted unanimously to authorize David Book (Worcester Historical Society) to pick up 5 gallons of D/2 Biological Solution for the safe non-toxic cleaning of headstones in the Worcester Village Cemetery, and send the bill to the Town for payment. David will oversee cleaning of the stones over the summer.
3. The commissioners discussed membership in the Vermont Cemetery Association. Since the association seems to be focused on much larger cemeteries and their issues, the commissioners voted unanimously not to join at this time.
4. The commissioners read the May 10, 2016 letter/bill from Lisa Ginett of Sunwise Surveyors, and looked at her new map reflecting the actual location of existing burial plots and cornerstones. Her map reflects more accurately the actual positions of plots and stones than the previous (Patterson) map. Joe Mangan has requested the placement of metal markers at the corners of plots where needed, which he can easily locate with a metal detector before placing cornerstones when plots are sold, and know exactly where to dig for interments. Lisa proposed working with Joe and putting in markers where he requests. The commission voted unanimously to pay Lisa's bill for phase 1 of her surveying services in the amount of \$1565.75, and to have Earlene notify her to go on to phase 2 (purchase and placement of stainless steel markers).
5. A number of stones in the Worcester Village Cemetery are in need of resetting. Joe Mangan has submitted an estimate of \$5,000 to do the work. The commissioners voted unanimously to do authorize him to do half of the work this season (\$2,500) and the other half next season (2017). Earlene will inform him.
6. Commissioners signed the two check warrants for Kirkyard Services for the first two pay periods for mowing of the two cemeteries.
7. Fran moved that the meeting adjourn and Cheri seconded. The meeting adjourned at 5:39PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Francette Cerulli (Clerk)