

Minutes of March 25, 2011
Warren Cemetery Commission
6:30 PM
Warren Fire Station

Members Present: Michele Eid, Charlie Snow, Rudy Elliott, John Goss, Cindi Jones

Others Present: Patty Sue Carter & Marilyn Miller.

6:35 PM – Meeting called to order.

6:40 PM – Elections of Officers –

Treasurer – Motion by Mr. Snow to nominate Michele Eid as Treasurer, second by John Goss. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

Secretary – Motion by Ms. Eid to nominate Cindi Jones as Secretary, second by Mr. Snow. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

Chair – Motion by Mr. Goss to nominate Mr. Snow as Chair, second by Ms. Jones. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

Mr. Elliott had a question about organization and authority. Ms. Eid explained that if it is a monetary issue, all the Commissioners must vote on it. There is no pecking order on other issues.

6:45 PM – Corner Stone's: Smooth vs. Rough – Mr. Snow explained that the tops would be smooth but the sides would be rough. The smooth sides cost more money and take longer to get which is about 7 weeks as the rough stones you can obtain in 2 weeks or a month notice. Ms. Eid commented that the smooth sides would have an equal space between the lots, where the rough sided stones wouldn't be flush. Mr. Elliott inquired if Mr. Snow had researched the stone costs. Mr. Snow commented that he had check with Chris Palermo, Perkins Parker Funeral Home, and the granite people in Barre about the cost. Ms. Miller commented that it could be left up to the family to decide if they wanted rough or smooth sided corner stone's. Ms. Carter agreed. Ms. Eid thought that was a good idea and suggested that the Commission add this to the burial contract and indicate a time frame. Ms. Jones will add to the contract for review at next meeting.

Ms. Miller inquired if a family wants a bigger monument, can the family or the family have someone else set the stone. The family can have someone else set the stone, they just have to let the Commissioners know who and when it would happen.

6:45 PM – Bids Received for Mowing and Grave Digging – Ms. Eid reported that she had ran the ad for two weeks and has not received any bids. The Commission agreed to run the ad to run March 30, April 7, and 14. Bids will be due by April 21st with a Commission Meeting on April 22, 2011. As the Cemetery opens May 15th.

Other Business:

7:05 PM – Honor Role – Mr. Brodeur was supposed to attend, but Ms. Jones indicated that the two issues that he wanted to note were: Get rid of the trees beside the Honor Role and look into a new flag pole that is more easily accessible to adjust as the current one was modified so that the flag would not get stolen as in the past. However, it takes 2 people to get it down and lower the flag. Ms. Eid would look into a telescoping aluminum flag pole and the cost. Mr. Elliott commented that the Commission should look into one that goes up 30-50'.

Flowers: A discussion was had on flowers for the whiskey barrels, honor roll, and the perpetual graves that required flowers. Mr. Elliott felt that if the Commission goes out of town that they should get paid mileage. Ms. Eid commented that she did this as a sentimental giving to the cemetery. A question was brought up about where the Commission purchases the flowers. They were always bought from a local producer, however, last year it was much cheaper to get them from Clausens. Ms. Miller volunteered to help with the flowers and the Commission look at Fraziers in Roxbury, Von Trapps as they both always have nice beautiful hardy flowers.

Ms. Eid also presented the State Statutes for Cemeteries and the record book of perpetual care money paid by individual families going back to 1915 which there is \$64,000 in trust as perpetual care money.

Mr. Snow inquired of Mr. Elliott if he had spoken to his siblings regarding the cleanup of the East Warren Cemetery along the Elliott property line on the Thorson side. Mr. Elliott commented that he had not spoke to his siblings but would look at the area and see if he could get in there with is tractor. Mr. Elliott also commented that he would like to see a split railing fence along the line. The Commission agreed that when we started to map the East Warren Cemetery that this could be looked at.

Also, Ms. Eid presented to Ms. Carter the Korean flag staff that to replace the one that was stolen from the grave site. Also, Ms. Eid pointed out that according to the Cemetery By Laws that the Cemetery Commissioners were not responsible for replacing these flag holders or fixing cracked or broken stones. Ms. Carter commented that the original was bronze iron and this was a plastic version.

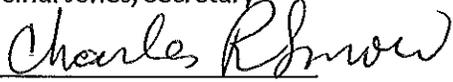
7:20 PM – Motion by Ms. Eid to go into executive session regarding real estate, second by Ms. Jones. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

7:44 PM – Motion by Mr. Goss to come out of executive session second by Ms. Jones. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

7:45 PM – Motion by Ms. Eid to remove the proposed new road along the Rodriquez Property Line, remove the end section that would have connected the proposed road, there would be no new trees planted on the line next to the current blue spruce trees, require Ms. Rodriquez or to trim the limbs evenly yearly, and once grave stones are added from the 20' line away from the Rodriquez line, that she would be liable for any damages occurring to future grave stones from the tree limbs falling or breaking on the stones, and this would follow in perpetuity with the property, second by Mr. Snow. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:00 PM – Motion to adjourn by Ms. Eid, second by Mr. Goss. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by,
Cindi Jones, Secretary



Charlie Snow, Chair



Michele Eid, Treasurer



Rudy Elliott



John Goss



Cindi Jones, Secretary