

Londonderry Cemetery Commission

Minutes for October 23, 2014 meeting Town office, So. Londonderry

Present: Danny Cobb, Chair, Gary Barton, Laurie Krooss Mullen, Melvin Twitchell, Patty Wiley

Guests: Duane and Melissa Hart, Melvin's dog (Sam)

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by Danny Cobb, chair.
2. There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.
3. Minutes of last meeting accepted.
4. **Bills/invoices**
\$677.50 – Duane and Melissa – cutting brush, tarring the tomb roof at Riverside
\$630 - Glebe View – burning brush
\$1820 - Glebe View – burning brush

Also another bill from Austin's for corner stones. Melissa has counted them and everything is there, the bill is about \$2,000. The common letters have doubles (and actually there are doubles of the whole alphabet) according to Duane.

Discussion about pricing and looking around for corner stones. Austin's used to only have 8 inch corner stones, now a mixture (8 and 6 inch, polished and unpolished).

5. Announcements and correspondences

None

6. Visitors and concerned citizens

None

7. Maintenance of cemeteries

Charlie Martin was supposed to come and fix broken stones but he has not done that. Danny says to look for someone else. Duane will check with Potter's for pricing and to see if they fix broken stones and if they do not do that kind of work, if they could recommend someone. (This is for next year, 2015).

New fence is all complete at Riverside.

A few trees to come down at Glebe View, and some stumps, and a few culverts that need to be fixed/moved.

Tree came down at Middle Town Cemetery, on the power lines.

Discussion of hemlock trees along Glebe View/Sullivan property line.

Signs come down on Nov. 1. Flags come down after Nov. 11.

All maintenance for this year got done, with exception of the paving (which will happen next year, 2015).

8. Sale of cemetery plots

Melvin and Duane discuss plot for Mr. Dale.

9. Old Business

Graves without stones:

Duane spoke with Carroll Wade, son Carroll Wade, okay for one stone for both parents.

Elsie Ray A. Sexton, (Nikki Alexander's baby) (Melissa spoke with her, she is okay with stone)

- *Danny moves that Duane and Melissa order two stones (above) over the winter, to be put in in the spring. Passed unanimously.*

Garden is gone at Glebe View. Matt Mosher recommends waiting until the spring to plant a tree/trees. Duane will smooth out the area in the spring.

Maps are all updated.

- *Town will pay the Cemetery Commission back for the loan for the Town Garage (\$102,000). Jim Wilbur was recommending that we put the money back in to the care/oversight of Trustees of Public Funds. Danny recommends that we do this. All agreed.*

Before the end of the year The Trustees of Public Funds will figure out the interest. They will cut a check, and then put that money back in (at the end of the year).

Danny looked in some past 'Doings in Derry'. Cemetery Commission began in 1917.

(Old minutes get handed to Laurie): Laurie, Melvin and Danny will meet over the winter and organize the minutes. They should be in the town safe.

10. New business

Review of proposed contract with Hart's All Season Maintenance.

Same payment for the first two years of the three year contract. In the third year there will be a 3.3% increase.

Discussion of burials. Should the burials be in the contract? Melvin points out that there is a difference between the care taker position and the sexton position. (Although Duane is both).

Danny points out that the dates need to be corrected. Should read "April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2018". Melissa will make changes. We have time to sign the contract, no real rush (current contract expires on March 31, 2015.)

Discussion of signing of the new contract with Duane and Melissa. Danny recommends our next meeting will be Feb. 5, 2015.

Discussion of who is up for re-election at Town Meeting?? Gary Barton is up for re-election.

Any additional business? Melissa brings up replacing older signs for the cemeteries. They should be okay (were caulked last year).

Adjournment was at 8:10 PM

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, Feb. 5th, 2015, Town Offices, So. Londonderry

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Krooss Mullen