

HUBBARDSTON CEMETERY COMMISSION

May 10, 2023
Town Offices

MINUTES

Convened: 5:03 PM

Members present: Paul Sweeney, Chairman, Raven Kaldera, David Melville. Also present Katy Young, BoS Representative, Marcia Howlett, Clerk.

The Commissioners reviewed the Minutes of September 9, 2020; March 15, 2021; March 22, 2021.

On motion of Mr. Sweeney, VOTED: To accept the Minutes of September 9, 2020; March 15, 2021; March 22, 2021 as presented.

Mr. Sweeney reported insurance claims for: Forest Hill Cemetery, two stones damaged to be set back on pins and fencing to be replaced by Girourad; Pine Grove Cemetery, one stone to be righted.

On motion of Mr. Kaldera, VOTED: To approve David Melville for payment and reimbursement for insurance claim work of stone uprighting at a rate of fifty (\$50.00) dollars per hour.

Mr. Kaldera said Friends of Hubbardston Cemeteries will assist in raising new cemetery signs. He said the sign for Clark Cemetery is in progress.

On motion of Mr. Sweeney, VOTED: To authorize Jeff Hakala and Jacob Hakala to receive funds for burials as representatives of the Cemetery Commission.

Mr. Sweeney announced burials for Feidler, Hubbard, Saigle, Meagher, O'Donnell. He has a letter from Bonnie Cunningham requesting the purchase back of her lots for resale to anyone interested. He said William Whitticomb wishes to purchase ten lots at the rear of Rural Glen Cemetery for burial of himself and several cremated pets. He said the flag in Rural Glen has been replaced by a new, donated flag. He reported all cemeteries have been cleared of winter debris and mowed, they may need lime and fertilizer.

On motion of Mr. Kaldera, VOTED: To purchase two pallets of lime for Brookside, Rural Glen and Evergreen Cemeteries.

Mr. Sweeney said flowers have been planted covering entire lots, impeding mowing. A discussion of rules and updated guidelines followed, suggestions requested. He said trees in Rural Glen Cemetery may need to be replaced. Mr. Kaldera wants to see the trees at the time the Evergreen Cemetery sign is raised.

Mr. Kaldera suggested pictures of each cemetery should be posted on the "Find-a-Grave" web site. The Commissioners discussed

ideas for the Town of Hubbardston Cemetery Commission web site,
perhaps summer pictures of each cemetery.

On motion of Mr. Sweeney, VOTED: To adjourn at 6:03 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Howlett, Clerk