

WILLIAMSTOWN CEMETERY COMMISSION

April 21, 2016
Minutes

Present: John Taylor, Acting CH, Orvill Lasell, Matt Couillard, Susan Lyons, Kevin Hennessey, Yvan LeBlanc

The Meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M.

Minutes: Minutes from the March 24, 2016 meeting were reviewed, discussed and correction made in reference to Kevin's Contract dates. His contract runs from April 1st to November 15th.

Warrants: None presented

Income: Nothing reported

New Business/Guest: Yvan LeBlanc came in. The LeBlanc's had purchased a lot last year and are looking at Memorial Benches to place in a corner lot of the West Hill Cemetery. Discussion followed, the board would need specific dimensions once the LeBlanc's decided on what they would like. Also Kevin and Yvan plan to meet at the West Hill Cemetery to look at lots. Some trees might need to be removed and lot built up, Yvan said he would be willing to put in some dollars toward expenses and this would be discussed at a later time. The Committee approved Yvan's ideas to date.

New Business:

John T. No report done but it looks like we still have an outstanding balance left of \$24,604. Asked Kevin about the stones that need to be fixed in the cemeteries. He replied that there were two (2) in West Hill and one (1) in East Hill with about 15 stones that were tipped. Estimated cost to repair the three above mentioned would be between \$45.00 to \$75.00.

John T. Said that there was \$1,400 available in Maintenance

Kevin H. Will give Mark Hutchinson from Northfield a call to see if he is available.

Orvil L. Motion to authorize Kevin to get a price first? Or not to exceed \$350.00?

John T. Any other budget questions?

Kevin H. Mentioned a Diversion student.

OLD BUSINESS:

John T. Kevin's contract has been received. Jackie had said that the town will cover the cost involved regarding the Workman's Comp. with the S&H Lawncare business this year.

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- Kevin H. Has the contract with S&H been signed?
- John T. Contract was presented and signed by the board members present at tonight's meeting.
- Kevin H. Asked if the check was to be there at the Thursday meetings?
- Orvil L. Brought up the Solar Light for the flag in the Village Cemetery. Checked prices at The Flag Store in Montpelier (\$80.00) and also at Home Depot (\$50.00, with a 20 ft. cone of lite).
- Matt C. The Fire Dept. has a solar light on their 30 ft. flag pole. It stays up all the time.
- John T. Let's table this and think about it until the next meeting.
- Orvil L. Suggested the one that clamps on the pole and reflects upward.
- Matt C. Check into Amazon.com

NEW BUSINESS:

- Kevin H. Reported that the two small cemeteries are ready to open, some clean-up needed. Village Cemetery – (1) Two burials from last Fall needed to be filled in and re-seeded. (2) A Kely family member, from out of town, would like to purchase 2 lots. They live in Ferrisburg. Asking about this as "out-of-towners" have to pay x-tra per the Cemetery Rules.
- John T. Yes – extra \$125.00 – see page 5 of the Rules.
- Kevin H. Do you want to waive it as they have family here?
- Orvil L. Were they former residents? If so, no extra charge.
- Kevin H. Not sure – will ask.
- John T. Don't want too many restrictions to keep family together.
- All agreed They are related - - o.k. to sell.
- Kevin H. A lady passed away last Winter and her sister is buried in the Village Cemetery, she was an Otis, however, the Otis family has said No for burial in their lot. So the son wants to buy a 5x10 lot – we will sell them a lot in the Village Cemetery.

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Kevin H. (Cont'd) Mr. Taylor, a ward of the state, his burial is paid. He will be buried in the Village Cem. With Mom & Dad with a grass marker.
Mrs. Griffith – deceased – will meet with her family – they want a weekend burial at the end of the month.
Mrs. Lacillade – East Hill - Cremation – June 30th burial. Being buried in Menard's lot.

Kevin H. Asked John T. if he had mailed out the letter with the current prices to the Funeral Homes.

John T Yes

Kevin H. June 25th – Mr. Riddell
Also spoke with Dick Dunn who wants to buy a lot in the Village Cemetery. The stone is too big for the lot, but it was approved by the board at the last meeting – so will let it go. Will hold the lot until he has the money to purchase.

John T. Any more New Business?

Matt C. When do we put the flags out?

John T. May 14th – 9 A.M. – Village Cemetery. We will all meet in the Village Cemetery – then Matt and I will go to the West Hill Cemetery.

Kevin H. The Prices of burials was changed – how much does he receive now?

John T He will check the October 2015 minutes – or the September 2015, and leave you a message.

Motion to adjourn was made and 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M. Next Meeting - May 26, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.
