

## Minutes of the Town of Lee Cemetery Trustees

May 10, 2022

Cemetery Trustees present: Peter Hoyt, Chairman, Donna Eisenhard, Bookkeeper and Jeff Liporto.

Others present: None.

1. Chairman Hoyt called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.
2. Minutes of the October 20, 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved.
3. The Trustees re-signed the Rules & Regulations which accompany all deeds with black ink pens because the former ones signed with blue ink pens did not copy legibly.
4. The Trustees discussed the recent finding of 5 flag holders in a group, including one American Legion one, which someone had removed from veteran graves at Lee Hill Cemetery. It was thought this might have been a planned theft which, luckily, did not occur. Also, Mr. Hoyt reported finding a large number of glass beer bottles dumped in one of the trash containers. Both these happenings are very disturbing and disrespectful to the Town.
5. Mr. Hoyt informed those present that when a full burial grave is dug, a small excavator is needed to dig the hole. Two people previously used in the past either no longer do this or have sold the equipment necessary. A discussion followed on whether the Highway Department should purchase their own excavator which could be used, not only for graves, but other highway purposes. Chairman Hoyt will speak with the Highway Supervisor and Town Administrator and possibly the Select Board regarding this matter. He stated he also learned a good used one may become available. All agreed to bring this matter up again at the next Trustee meeting. He further stated the Highway Department has an Equipment Rental fund from which this money could be taken.
6. The Trustees discussed the current price of graves and the possibility of raising the price to keep pace with current costs involved in burials. All agreed to think about this matter and bring it up again at the next meeting.
7. Chairman Hoyt reported the trees around the outside of the Randall Private Trust cemetery have been removed by the owners of the property per request of the lady now in charge of that cemetery and said lady is having the stones washed at her expense as well prior to burial of her cousin Jack Randall within the next two weeks.
8. Chairman Hoyt reported two stones in Lee Hill Cemetery have to be moved. One is encroaching two feet onto the grave of another person and the other small upright stone marking a child's grave is too close to a cemetery access road and in danger of getting run over. He said he will see this is accomplished.
9. Chairman Hoyt reported 6 of the granite stones supporting the rail fence at Old Parish Cemetery have split and need to be replaced. Also 2 cement stones at Lee Hill supporting that fence. He will be contacting some companies that work with these types of stones for estimates.
10. Chairman Hoyt reported two dead tamarack trees in Lee Hill Cemetery need to be removed before they fall and do considerable damage to the fence and the stones around them. Orion Tree Service, frequently used by the Trustees, will be asked to do the work. He said the Highway Department also has concerns about the big Christmas tree on the village green so the Select Board will be contacted about that tree.

11. Chairman Hoyt stated Lee Hill Cemetery is now officially open, trash cans are in place and the water is turned on. He said the delay opening was due to muddy roads toward the back of the cemetery. Also, a new top will be ordered for one of trash cans whose cover has cracked as well as additional trash can to be placed at the water spigot which has never had one.
12. The Trustees will be placing memorial flags for veterans at all private cemeteries requiring them on May 26. They will meet at the Public Safety Complex at 3:00 pm and go from there.
13. There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 4:20 pm.

Minutes recorded by:

Donna F. Eisenhard

Donna F. Eisenhard, Bookkeeper

Minutes accepted by:

Peter Hoyt

Peter Hoyt, Chairman

Donna F. Eisenhard

Donna Eisenhard, Bookkeeper

Jeff Liporto

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June 14, 2022

Date