

Minutes of the Town of Lee Cemetery Trustees

October 20, 2021

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

Others present: John Tappan, Trust Fund Trustee.

1. Chairman Hoyt called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.
2. Trust Fund Chairman John Tappan met with the Board and asked for signatures on a new form required by law for reimbursement to the Town of funds from trust funds stating it must be dated and signed by a majority of the Cemetery Trustees. The Trustees all signed the form. He also informed the Trustees of his Monday meeting with the Select Board regarding items in Annual Reports from elected officials which is required by law and what cannot be incorporated. He said in their last year Annual Report they included the amount of interest generated by Trust Funds which is strictly his job. Mrs. Eisenhard stated she was asked to include this by the Town Office even though she pointed this out to them. Following further discussion, Mrs. Eisenhard said she would remove the sentence from her report stating this from this year's report before submitting it to the Town Secretary.
3. Minutes of the September 22, 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved after a spelling error was noted and corrected.
4. The Trustees reviewed the 2021 Annual Report prepared by Mrs. Eisenhard and it was approved.
5. Mrs. Eisenhard stated the abandoned cemetery behind the library had been noted by a Lee visitor on his way to the observation platform over the bog. He said he wondered who was buried there and was distressed to see it in such deplorable condition. From pictures sent via her phone by the visitor she thought at least 3 people were buried there but was unable to determine any information about it so called former Cemetery Superintendent Randy Stevens to see if he could help. Mr. Stevens stated the cemetery was discovered when they built the observation platform over the bog and he thought it might be the Josiah Bartlett family and 12 people were actually buried there. He volunteered to clean out all debris from the grounds and do further research to identify it. He stated the Boy Scouts had erected the wooden fence enclosing it. After discussion, Mrs. Eisenhard asked Chairman Hoyt to call Mr. Stevens and tell him to proceed with cleanup. She also mentioned the wood fence needs replacing. After further discussion, Chairman Hoyt said this matter will be discussed this coming spring.
6. Chairman Hoyt presented a sheet he prepared indicating how many graves in Lee Hill Cemetery are left for purchase. His calculation indicated about 639 are left, enough to carry the cemetery quite a while longer, however, he felt planning now for the future was a good idea. He said property off Clay lane might be an option. It an abandoned gravel pit already owned by the Town, already has an Alteration of Terrain Report done and would be good digging in the gravel left. He said he will meet with the Select Board and introduce the idea of turning it into a cemetery when Lee Hill Cemetery is full. A copy of Chairman Hoyt's report becomes a permanent part of these minutes. ,
7. Chairman Hoyt informed those present the budget meeting went well and next year's budget had been accepted. A copy of that budget becomes a permanent part of these minutes.
8. There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

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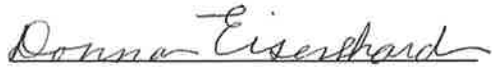
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Donna F. Eisenhard, Bookkeeper

Minutes accepted by:

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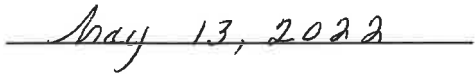
Peter Hoyt, Chairman

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Donna Eisenhard, Bookkeeper

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Jeff Liporto

A handwritten date "May 13, 2022" written over a horizontal line.

Date