

Cemetery Commission
Minutes of the Meeting – August 6, 2019

The meeting of the Harwich Cemetery Commission was at 100 Oak Street, Harwich, Commissioners Cynthia Eldredge, Steven Conner, Administrator Robbin Kelley and Andrea Driscoll were in attendance.

Meeting Called to Order at 8:00 a.m. by Cynthia Eldredge.

Approval of the Minutes

Steven Conner approved the minutes of July 2, 2019 and it was seconded by Cynthia Eldredge.

1. Item F. Mulkerin Lot taken out of order to accommodate Andrea Driscoll. Andrea presented the board with photographs of discarded alcohol bottles near her parent's grave from the visitor to the Fisher lot behind their lot. Mrs. Driscoll also is stated that she has been to the police department to talk about the cars that are visiting the Fisher lot and the fact that her mother who is elderly feels intimidated and will not stay to visit her husband if the cars are parked on roadway. Cynthia Eldredge said that she will talk with the police department and get back to Mrs. Driscoll.
2. Review of Cemetery Revolving Account balance, current balance is \$90,567.78.
3. Email from Sandy Robinson on Tree Damage at 68 Forest Street home, which abuts Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Lisa Mead, homeowner called from Florida and she advised Mrs. Robinson that the tree company had to cut up and remove poplar trees that fell onto her property during the storm. She requesting that the Town see if the trees were on our property. Cemetery Administrator went to 78 Forest Street and met with the Tree Company and could not determine if the trees that had fallen were on the Town's property. Cemetery Administrator went to building department and pulled the septic plans and had copy made for Griffin Ryder, Town Engineer and left note with Sandy Robinson to have Mr. Ryder go out to the site and verify if the trees were on our property or the homeowners.
4. Linda Gould had spoken to Town Clerk's office and was directed to send email to Town's website looking for locations of family burials lots. Emailed her back with locations one of her aunt buried in Mount Pleasant was able to give her exact location. Her other aunt was buried in Harwich Center Cemetery was not able to give her location of lot, as we don't have those records. Recommended that she reach out to the Congregational Church.
5. Email from Doris Miller requesting to sell back her cemetery lot in Mount Pleasant as she is moving out of state and will not be using it. Return lot form was signed by the commissioners for 97 Elm Avenue Grave #4.
6. Email from Bobbi Moritz on grants for the Island Pond Arboretum project at the Cape Cod Resource Development Office in Hyannis. Robbin Kelley met with Mrs. Moritz on August 5th and went over possible grants and was given materials to review.
7. Email from Cort Holland on planting of row of Hydrangea's behind his lot in Evergreen Cemetery by his landscaping company. Cynthia Eldredge make the motion that will allow the plantings in open space behind the Holland lot and that the Cemetery Administrator make out the area to be used. It was seconded by Steven Conner.

8. Old Business: The Fountain for the Island Pond Cemetery Lily Pond has been delivered to the DPW, it has not been installed due to the storm damage from the tornado. The DPW will be installing when they have time available.
9. Old Business: Tornado Damage
Tree Damage Island Pond 413 trees removed 275 Island Pond, 73 Mount Pleasant, 35 Evergreen, 25 Pine Grove, 5 South Harwich, 5 West Harwich Baptist. There are 225 trees that either have hanging branches or have to be removed; 127 in Island Pond, 35 in Mount Pleasant, 24 Evergreen, 3 Pine Grove, 9 Kelley, 11 South Harwich, 7 West Harwich Baptist, 7 Old Methodist and 2 at Hawks Nest.
44 memorials damaged during the storm. 19 Memorials in Island Pond, 7 Memorials in Mount Pleasant, 6 Memorials in Evergreen, 10 Memorials in Pine Grove, 1 Memorial in South Harwich and 2 Memorials at the West Harwich Baptist Church Cemeteries.
10. New Deeds John & Faith Preston for 110A Pond Grove (2 Cremains) for \$500.00 in Island Pond Cemetery.
11. New Deed Rachel & Gregory Squier for 70R Pine Avenue (Graves 1 & 2) for \$1,600.00 in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.
12. New Deed Thomas & Sheila Frederick for 95 Nickerson Avenue (B & C) for \$1,600.00 in Evergreen Cemetery.
13. New Deed Jacqueline Pentz-Greene and Bruce A. Greene Jr. for 20 NC Cranberry Avenue West (Graves 1 & 2) for \$1,600.00 in Island Pond Cemetery.
14. New Deed Nicholas & Claire Mitrokostas for D62 Cranberry Avenue West (Graves 1, 2, 3 & 4) for \$3,200.00 in Island Pond Cemetery.
15. New Deed Frances & Andrew Barrett for D60 Cranberry Avenue East (Graves 1 & 2) for \$1,600.00 in Island Pond Cemetery.
16. New Deed Alexandra & John Chakalis for D61 Cranberry Avenue East (Graves 1 & 2) for \$1,600.00 in Island Pond Cemetery.
17. Bills; Verizon Wireless, Eversource, W. B. Mason, Whitten Landscaping and Water Bills for Cemeteries. Mileage for Robbin Kelley.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 A.M. Next meeting will be September 3, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robbin Kelley,
Cemetery Administrator