

Cemetery Commission  
Minutes of the Meeting – January 30, 2018

The meeting of the Harwich Cemetery Commission was at 100 Oak Street, Harwich, Commissioners Cynthia Eldredge, Steven Conner, Karen Young and Administrator Robbin Kelley 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 November 21, 2017 and it was seconded by Karen Young.

Correspondence from Town Hall & Associations

1. Email from David Consalvi, Cape Cod Regional Technical High School on the Trees that were identified in Island Pond Cemetery included common name and scientific name.
2. Email from Jonathan Appell on the Stone Cleaning workshop to be held at South Harwich Cemetery on Monday April 23<sup>rd</sup> with rain date of April 24, 2018.
3. Email from Paul Sweetser, Town Surveyor on Island Pond Parcel to be transfer into the Cemetery Commission care and custody to create the Island Pond Arboretum. Steven Conner makes motion for Robbin Kelley, Administrator to contact the Board of Selectmen and the Conservation Commission to pursue the land transfer, it was seconded by Cynthia Eldredge and was a unanimous vote.
4. Revolving Account Article, Steven Conner makes a motion to raise the amount of the Revolving Account from \$70,000 to \$100,000 it was seconded by Cynthia Eldredge and was a unanimous vote.
5. Email from Ellen Pazos of BLL Cremation Systems on the cremation concerns.  
How will the Crematory emissions effect the residents? Is it dangerous for the public health? The machine will not cause any public health issues, it has to be permitted by the Massachusetts DEP to ensure public safety and therefor it should be of no concern to the residents. There is no danger to the public health.  
Does the Crematory Smell? There should be no detectible odors.  
Will there be smoke? The system is fitted with an opacity monitoring device (smoke), this device automatically ensures that no visible emissions above 10% (very light gray) will be emitted from the machine.  
Sorry for the questions but we have some people in town who keep telling people that it is going to smell like burger king, not sure why. The reason that you smell Burger King, is because they emit there emissions directly into the atmosphere. Our system takes the emissions through a second combustion process that oxidizes the gases to ensure there are no visible emission or smell.
6. Other Business: Steven Conner makes motion to name the Arboretum after Jimmy Marceline, it was seconded by Cynthia Eldredge and was a unanimous vote.
7. Discussion on Rules and Regulations for the Pet Burial Grounds Article. Commission members will review documentation provided by cemetery administrator and make recommendations at the next Cemetery Commission Meeting on February 6, 2018

8. New Deed for Scott MacLeod in Island Pond Cemetery for G3 West Main Avenue (4 Graves) for \$3,200.00.
9. New Deed for George Knudson in Evergreen Cemetery for 36A Nickerson Avenue (1 Grave) for \$800.00.
10. New Deed for Joseph Laroski in Pine Grove Cemetery for 374 Hemlock Avenue (Grave #3) for \$800.00.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 A.M. Next meeting will be February 6, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robbin Kelley,  
Cemetery Administrator