

**MINUTES  
CEMETERY COMMITTEE  
THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2022  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
COUNCIL ROOM  
9:00 A.M.**

**Present:** Mark Bossie, Sexton  
Melvin Burnham  
Mary Lou Mollerus  
Gene Rouse  
Donald Young  
Gail Pelotte, Town Clerk

**Absent:** Paul York

1. Elect a Chair.

Motion by Gene Rouse, second by Mary Lou Mollerus to nominate Melvin Burnham as Chairman. Vote 4-0-1. Melvin Burnham abstained.

2. Elect a Vice Chair.

Motion by Mary Lou Mollerus, second by Donald Young to nominate Gene Rouse as Vice Chairman. Vote 4-0-1. Gene Rouse abstained.

3. Minutes from the June 2, 2022 cemetery meeting to be approved.

Motion by Gene Rouse, second by Gail Pelotte to approve the minutes as presented. Vote 3-0-2. Mary Lou Mollerus and Donald Young abstained.

4. Update/Action on North Cemetery boundary issues.

Gene Rouse spoke with the property owners face to face. They are in favor in donating property to the town as long as it does not cost them any money.

Carol Clukey thought the property lines were elsewhere and Gene went over the map with her.

Gail Pelotte will check with Christine Almand as to what the next step is in the procedure.

Motion by Gene Rouse, second by Donald Young to submit to Board of Selectmen for their approval to proceed. Vote 5-0.

5. Update/Action maintenance of cemetery records.

Gail Pelotte updated the committee – made contact with Patrick Dooling regarding how the necessary information can be added to the website. Patrick is looking into activating the area of the website to add the burials to the area where the books are located.

Melvin Burnham mentioned the problem that he had with finding burials in the Bloomfield Cemetery. Discussion took place.

6. Update/Action concerning tree planting project at East Cemetery.

Mark Bossie reported that he waters the trees every three days – he didn't plan on the weather being like it has been. One tree looks dead, and another one has growth from the bottom.

7. Update/Action on Southside Cemetery fencing project.

Gene Rouse reported that there are questions that need to be answered. He will have it put together by the first part of the week. Next meeting to go out to bid.

8. Update/Action on erosion correction and turf reseeding in all cemeteries.

Mark Bossie reported that in the fall he will start this project.

9. Update/Action on bid for cemetery refurbishment.

Motion by Gene Rouse, second by Mary Lou Mollerus to get approval from the Selectmen to go out to bid for Southside Cemetery Reconstruction. Vote 5-0.

10. Update/Action on quotes for surveys on Malbon's Mills and Herron Cemeteries.

Quotes received: Sackett & Brake – Herrin Cemetery - \$1,050.00  
Malbon's Mills Cemetery - \$2,640.00  
Total \$3,690.00

Boynton & Pickett – Herrin Cemetery - \$1,200.00  
Malbon's Mills Cemetery - \$2,900.00  
Total \$4,100.00

Motion by Gene Rouse, second by Mary Lou Mollerus to accept Sackett & Brake's quote and to get approval from the Board of Selectmen to expend an amount not to exceed \$3,690.00 from Cemetery Reserve, Survey Designation. Vote 4-0-1. Donald Young abstained.

11. Update/Action on tree cutting and stump grinding.

Mark Bossie reported that the trees are limbed and the crane is coming to finish the job.

Mark Bossies will get quotes for the stump grinding.

12. Other items.

None.

13. Sexton items.

Mark Bossie reported that crusher dust was put on the roads in Southside Cemetery.

14. Committee items.

None.

Next Meeting will be on Thursday, August 18, 2022 at 9:00 AM.  
Southside Cemetery Reconstruction Bid Opening.

Meeting Adjourned 9:51 AM