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TOWN OF WAREHAM

Cemetery Commissioners

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<u>CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS</u> <u>MINUTES OF MEETING</u>

Date:

Wednesday, October 19, 2022

Location:

2:15 P.M. - MMD, 95 Charge Pond Road, Wareham, MA 02571

Roll Call:

Commissioners:

Kathleen Bird, Clerk

Present

Susan Akins

Present

Liaison officer:

Judith Whiteside

Absent

Ex Officio:

David Menard, Director

Present

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 P.M.

The minutes of September 28, 2022 were read and approved 2-0-0.

There was one license which was reviewed and voted 2-0-0.

Richard A. Anderson

Centre Cemetery (Annex)

Lot: 281

Grave: 7&8

There were two monuments that were reviewed and voted 2-0-0.

Mary Lanagan

Centre Cemetery (Annex)

Lot: 289

Grave: 5

William Scott

Agawam Cemetery

Lot: 348

Grave: 1&2

There was one slant marker that was reviewed and approved 2-0-0.

Donna Wolcott

Agawam Cemetery

Lot: 348

Grave: 3&4

Director's Report:

Mr. Menard stated that there were zero (0) burials between the months of September 28, 2022 through October 19, 2022.

Old Business:

Lots not used after 75 years (still researching sources)

Protocol for unclaimed remains: Reaching out to Tom Daly or Chris Berg (Chapman) or Chris Consoletti (Wareham Village) for their input. In the process of researching.

Waiting on quotes and costs for monument repairs and other expenses that are required for the cemeteries, reached out to three monument companies. Going to expand search to Plymouth and other surrounding towns. Also reach out to surrounding towns to see what company they use for their repairs.

Will continue to brainstorm ideas and options for a cemetery affairs office for the residents when purchasing graves and lots.

Committee to discussed moving meetings to every three (3) months with the option to call meetings in between as needed for issues that need to be addressed before the next scheduled meeting.

The request for a biodegradable internment was brought up and discussed. The committee came to the conclusion remains must be in the required outer container meeting the requirements in the cemetery rules and regulations handbook. There will be **no acceptations** made for internments of full or cremated remains outside said handbook.

New Business:

Quotes for monument and cemetery repairs to be reviewed.

Susan Makem