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# **TOWN OF WAREHAM**

## **Cemetery Commissioners**

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# CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF MEETING

Date:

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

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 October 19, 2022 were read and approved 2-0-0.

There were two licenses which was reviewed and voted 2-0-0.

Janice A. Daviau

Agawam Cemetery

Lot: 360

Grave: 3

Donna Bronk

Agawam Cemetery

Lot: 357

Grave: 1&2

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

Patricia Cullen

Agawam Cemetery

Lot: 185

Grave: 5A

## **Director's Report:**

Mr. Menard stated that there were nine (9) burials between the months of October 19, 2022 and January 25, 2023. Five (5) of those burials being full burials and four (4) being cremations.

#### **Old Business:**

Lots not used after 75 years is still in the research process.

Protocol for unclaimed remains still in discussion. A policy is to be put in place.

When it comes to monument repairs in the cemeteries, the committee will be reaching out to the historical society and/or Angela Dunham for what the options may be.

It has been decided that the extra office space in the Municipal Maintenance building will be utilized as the cemetery affairs office.

The committee plans to acquire the most up to date financials to see what funds are available and can be requested at the fall Town Meeting. The intention is to ask for funds to be designated for the purchase of sod and a rebuild kit for machinery used in the cemetery. The costs for repairing stones will also be included in this request. There are other items to be discussed for request.

#### **New Business:**

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Discussion of implementing only flat markers regulation moving forward in the center section of Agawam cemetery to future license holders.

Stephen Harrington flat marker request is on hold. The committee is looking for further information on if/how Stephen Harrington is the only heir to lot 51 grave 1 in the Centre Annex Cemetery. Committee is also inquiring what the image on the marker will be. There were four other markers and two monuments that are being placed on hold until more information can be provided.