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# TOWN OF WAREHAM

## **Cemetery Commissioners**

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# CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF MEETING

Date:

Wednesday, November 29, 2023

Location:

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

Roll Call:

Commissioners:

Kathleen Bird, Chairman

Present

Susan Akins, Clerk

Present

Jack Silva, Member

Absent

Liaison officer:

Judith Whiteside

Absent

Ex Officio:

David Menard, Director

Present

The meeting was called to order at 2:25 P.M.

The minutes of October 18, 2023 were read and approved 2-0-0.

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

Janet E. Memoli

Centre Annex

Lot: 231

Grave: 2

There was one flat marker which was reviewed and voted 2-0-0.

Colin Canham

Agawam Annex

Lot: 171

Grave: 1

There were three monuments that were reviewed and approved 2-0-0

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Lot: 232 Lot: 221 Grave: 5 Grave: 7

Centre Annex

Lot: 245

Grave: 12

# **Director's Report:**

Mr. David Menard stated that there were seven (7) burials between the months of October 19, 2023 and November 29, 2023. Of those seven (7) burials, three (3) were full burials and four (4) were cremations.

Mr. Menard stated the completion of the new section in the Agawam Cemetery. The next improvement to be made will be installing posts. The posts will ensure the ease of finding specific lots and graves for the town employees as well as residents.

#### **Old Business:**

Lots not used after 75 years research will begin in full force starting January.

Protocol for unclaimed remains is still in discussion. Procedure to be put in place. Committee is dedicated to finding and using as many resources as possible to handle this in the best possible manner.

In the matter of the Yves Roux monument after a lengthy discussion it was determined that the size of the monument was not compliant with the policy regarding single or double lots. A denied vote of 2-0-0 for the size that was presented was the result.

### **New Business:**

The pricing breakdown for disinterments was further discussed at this meeting. After reviewing the pricing it was noticed the rates do not differentiate between cremated remains vs full remains. The commissioners motioned to request an update to the pricing sheet which will go before the select board in an upcoming meeting.

The invoice for the posts that will be installed at the Agawam Cemetery was reviewed and approved by the commissioners to be paid out of cemetery funds. The posts will need to be engraved with the lot numbers which was also approved to be paid from cemetery funds. Invoice to follow when that work is completed.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:10 P.M.

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The next scheduled meeting is set for Wednesday, January 17, 2023 at 2:15 P.M.