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Cemetery Commission Minutes 12/09/2010

The Minutes Of The Arlington Cemetery Commission December 09, 2010

Present: Commissioners Michele Hassler and William McCarthy, Jason Jones, Acting Cemetery Supervisor, John Bean, Director of DPW

The meeting began at 9:17 a.m. The minutes from November were approved. Seven (7) deeds were signed.

- 1. Michele Hassler and William McCarthy were re-appointed to the Commission. Bernard Smith is up for reappointment in January 2011.
- 2. John Bean and the commissioners discussed how to implement a potentially new mapping and gps database for the cemetery. Gathered information was presented for his review and the discussion revolved around how to proceed, especially as Mr. Bean is leaving his position.
- 3. Mr. Bean discussed with the commissioners the Town Manager's thoughts regarding casket carrying by the cemetery staff during funerals. Though it has been something the commissioners would like to institute, the TM is uncomfortable at this time to eliminate that service as many other surrounding public cemeteries do offer it. The commissioners decided to table the issue for now and will not send out a letter asking funeral directors to bring enough of their own staff to help carry the casket to the burial site during a funeral.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50am Next meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2011

Respectfully submitted, Jean Smith