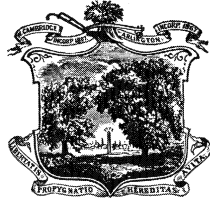


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The Minutes of the Arlington Cemetery Commission
April 13, 2016

Present: Commissioners Michele Hassler, Brian Hasbrouck, DPW Director, Mike Rademacher, DPW Op. Mgr., Dan Warren, Veteran Agent, Jeff Chunglo and Jason Jones, Cemetery Supervisor

Meeting opened at 9:01 am

Two (2) deeds signed but will await Bill McCarthy's signature
Minutes of the February 10, 2016 meeting were approved

Michele opened the meeting:

Mike discussed the issues in the Z field section that was originally going to be used for the new Veteran lot. Boundary and mapping issues brought forward some long neglected concerns. The exposed drain lines in the eroding embankment are made of corrugated metal and should probably be replaced. The lines actually go all the way out to Medford St. It would be a significant project with Conservation Commission approval. Brian asked if the bend in the brook could be re-worked. Due to the new concerns of this area, the potential work and the money and permits that will be needed, it was decided to change the location of the new Veterans section. The Z field will be left alone at this time and not used.

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New Veteran Section Possibilities:

Michele talked about the flower circle as a potential site for the new Veteran Section. Jean stated there could be 30-40 graves there. There was not a lot of support in the meeting for using this area.

Extending the Vietnam Memorial area was also discussed, however this would impact the area where the new columbarium will be going and the planning of the new area did not match well with the existing area.

HH field – right side is not workable due to the drainage issues and leeching field. Jeff stated that the left side has been mapped and plotted out adjacent to the EE section. Overgrowth could be cleared out and shrubs moved to replace dead ones taken out behind the EE section. Trees or some sort of vegetation could be considered as a separation line. Flagpole and monument will be placed about 7 feet from the road. Flagpole will need to be restrung. It will be a flat markers only section. Pins from Z field can be used to mark out the graves in section to be known as HH-V, Memorial to the Fallen in the Global War on Terrorism.

The commissioners unanimously voted to allow the new Veterans' section to be in the HH field at the end of the EE field and at where Totten Way curves. It was made clear to Jeff that this is the last area the cemetery will be able to offer the veterans, should a need arise in the future. This area will contain 24 graves for single earth burials and 24 urn graves for single cremain burials. It was also made clear that a columbarium structure will not be able to be erected in this area. Dan Warren will make sure the graves will be mapped out before Memorial Day when the dedication ceremony will take place. It will be in-line with the current mapping form of the EE section, to help distinguish it from the HH graves and future green cremains burial area.

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Per Mike, Mark Menard from the Nadeau Corp. will attend the next meeting to discuss the start of the columbarium building. Mike left the meeting at 9:45am.

Dan Warren stated that the curbing in front of the chapel will be repaired. Black mulch will go down in the flower beds with flowers to be put in later. Dan thought the chip sealing of the roads might actually be done before Memorial Day, but he will check with Mike Rademacher.

Columbarium; discussion was had about the \$36,000 needed for the additional foundations that are part of this project. Michele spoke with the Town Treasurer, Stephen Gilligan, who outlined the process for taking money from the correct funds the commissioners oversee. Michele relayed this process to members and it was determined to table this discussion for May to have time to review needed information before a vote is taken.

Discussed Healy veteran burial

The placement of a previously approved bench in front of the GG section facing Sachem Ave. was reviewed.

Invoice for Blair Hines was reviewed for payment.

Monthly tally was discussed.

Mt. Pleasant Cemetery is now part of the Mass. Cemetery Assoc.

Meeting adjourned at 11:47am

Next meeting will be May 11, 2016

Respectfully submitted
Jean Smith

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