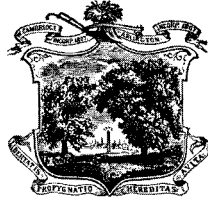


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The Minutes of the Arlington Cemetery Commission
October 12, 2016

Present: Commissioners Michele Hassler, Bill McCarthy, Brian Hasbrouck, DPW Director, Mike Rademacher, DPW Op. Manager, Dan Warren and Cemetery Supervisor, Jason Jones

Meeting opened at 9:05 am

Minutes of September 14, 2016 were approved

Two (2) deeds signed

Michele opened the meeting with discussion of the CPA grant applications that were submitted after consultations with the CPA Committee and the Historical Commission. The preliminary applications submitted were for work to be done in the Old Burying Ground and Mt. Pleasant Cemetery. Requested work for the OBG will focus on the walls, tombs, and trees. Requested work for Mt. Pleasant will focus on the tombs.

Michele met Kevin Duffy at the OBG and discussed the continuation of stone repair and/or restoration there, as well as reviewing what was done this year.

Mike informed the commission that there will be a fall planting of trees and they will be stored at the cemetery. He also stated that contractual work for the upkeep/removal of cemetery trees could be requested through use of the Perpetual Care Funds, as this qualifies, and this work would greatly help the town maintenance schedule. Commissioners will consider this idea.

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Columbarium update: Planting of new shrubbery/native plants and grasses has started along Brook Ave as is stated in the plan and hopefully the columbarium work will be finished by October 22, 2016. Niches will not be sold until the pathway is done. An insert will be added to the columbarium pamphlet to explain the engraving policy, which should have a final vote by next meeting. Brian will be consulting with an engraver about our engraving policy. The commissioners worked out most of the details. The pamphlet will then be updated next spring when all policies and prices are reviewed. Jean is working on organizing the numbering system for future sales/documentation and will check on pricing for replacement faceplates.

Regarding wall delivery: For future remembrance Henderson Way was able to be navigated with the delivery truck and that although Sachem Way starts out as a private way, its use cannot be restricted by those neighbors who live on it, especially as it connects to a public cemetery/way. This is also per the MA laws re: private ways, uses and responsibilities, located on www.Mass.gov.

Discussed the flower theft at W-199N and a suggestion was made for security cameras.

Request was made by the Doyon family to place a bench in the GG section. Jean will discuss possible locations with them.

Reviewed the monthly tally

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 am
Next meeting will be November 9, 2016

Respectfully submitted
Jean Smith

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