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The Minutes of the Arlington Cemetery Commission December 13, 2017

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 9:03 am Approved minutes from November 08, 2017 Two (2) deeds were signed

- 1. Chapel door: Mike talked about the chapel front door and the cost to replace it through a company that makes reproductions of historically significant doors. We may need a push bar to allow for emergency exits. Mike will check into any ADA compliance issues with replacing the door and acquiring the permit.
- 2. Cemetery signs: Bill had a map of where new signs should go. Dan suggested piping that could be painted to look like the other posts in the cemetery and make it all look more uniform. What color should the signs be? Old signs would be replaced as well. Samples for shape and colors of signs will be brought to next meeting. We will move forward as spring approaches.

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- 3. New graves: Discussed the marking of graves at the location where the fire monument was (J field) and the flower circle (I field). Michele and Brian were concerned about the irregularity of the shapes and spacing in both areas. Dan said they were marked out to allow for 10 feet around a tree, per the recommendation of the tree warden, and still have room for the access road for the trucks in the J field. Brian wants us to be mindful of the mix of burials and cremains in both areas and to try to maximize the spaces but also make sure both areas are aesthetically pleasing once stone choices are decided upon. Can a map or picture be drawn up to show the different options of laying out the graves in this area for next meeting? HH field is getting close for mapping and should be done by first of the year. The hope is to get all remaining areas set and ready for use by spring.
- 4. Stonework: Kevin Duffy of Line and Stone has done much work at the OBG straightening and fixing the stones and rows. What is left to do there he will start when the weather gets better. We will talk about placing the missing markers in their proper spots that were recently found to be at the Historical Society and Schwamb Mill when the weather gets better.

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5. Benches: Jean received another request for a bench at the columbarium from the McKinley family. No decision has been made yet on whether to place one there. ADA issues need to be investigated and ownership of the bench needs to be discussed if a donation were to be allowed. This will not be addressed until the weather gets better.

Monthly numbers were reviewed. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 am. Next meeting will be January 10, 2018.

Respectfully submitted Jean Smith