

Cemetery Commission Minutes Nov 22nd, 2019
Town Offices, 5:30 PM

In Attendance: Polly Freese, Ethel MacStubbs, Ruth Behrsing

Others: PG Tolman, Marsha Tennis, Peter Jones, Betty Behrsing, Jan Hicks, Abigail Arnold, Heather S Ayers, Brad Howell, Christina Wohle, William Wohle, Sara and Jason Champney, Betsy D Wright, Rob Goinsalvos

Agenda

1. Meeting called to order at 5:30 PM
2. Approval of Nov 4th minutes. Ethel made motion made to approve, Polly second. All in favor.
3. Repair of broken cemetery stone in #3. William Hopkins, shattered into 5 parts. The parts are at Kaufholds of Peterborough Marble & Granite. They will put a thin slice of marble on the back and glue the pieces onto it. Estimate is \$175. Ruth made motion to proceed with the repair and payment. Seconded by Polly. All in favor. The money will from Cemetery repairs 4196-05
4. Discussion with Wohle's. The discussion centered around the Halloween skeleton that was placed on their son's grave. Much info was shared and feelings had been hurt. The future will include phone calls/email if a decoration is considered inappropriate . The CC should be sure to contact the individuals involved when items are removed. Comments included the need for the CC to be more lenient in the face of grieving parents. The Wohle's expressed that they had not meant to offend anyone and apologized to M Tennis. Further clarification needs to be made with the Transfer Station employee on which bin need to be emptied by them and which is held for the 30 days. The CC also need to be more consistent with enforcing the rules and regulations and need to review them annually.
5. Lot 235 needs to be probed to better locate the coffins.
6. Explore winter access for winter 2020/21.
7. Temp solutions for the winter access will be explored by Ruth.