## Cemetery Commission-Town of Francestown Minutes of Meeting of August 8, 2020

Present: Board Members Polly Freese, Ethel Mac Stubbs and Bridget Howell. Meeting called to order at 11:40 a.m.

Review of minutes.

Polly and Bridget reviewed the minutes from July 6 meeting and minutes are approved subject to one numbering typo to be corrected.

- 1. Landscaping Issues. Discussion of Bryant proposal for landscaping of cemetery No. 3, for almost \$24,000 which including hydro seeding. Polly notes this would take a warrant article because it is so large a sum. Agreed by all Trustees that Bryant work proposal would cost too much...need alternatives. Derek told Polly he could do spot seeding with a conservation mix or rye grass (drought resistant) and put on worse spots in center section and north section, with cost about \$1,000. Derek says we need to wait until September, since Fall is best time to plant. He will send over to Jamie written quote as to seeding. 2. Rules revision and night visitation in cemetery.
- Discussion. Jamie has called our insurance agents and they say the hazards involved in night visitation are considerable in terms of injury to persons and property, particularly since there is no lighting. Jamie asked them about people signing waivers. Insurance company agents said they would have to be extensive. Trustees discuss and note that it is unworkable to get waivers from event attendees and there is question how to enforce any indemnification clause. Ethel moves that the Commission continue policy of no visitors after dusk and keep rule as is. Polly seconds. Motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Petty family (Charles is contact) wants 4 lots in No. 3 Cemetery. Trustees will meet next Saturday with them to determine which lots.
- 4. Jones family. Ethel relayed to them our opinion on placement of a memorial bench but no feedback yet from the family. No feedback yet on a memorial service for Ed.
- 5. Winter wall access. Polly called Kris Stewart to tell him where access will be. No news yet from Chris on exactly when work will be done.
- 6. No more news from Mc Cline family on plot request.
- 7. Head stone straightened for Murrays. Money will be paid by family.
- 8. The Egglestone headstone was knocked off its space. Commission paid \$35 to reset.

Meeting adjourned 12:30 p.m.