

Barrington Cemetery Commission Meeting (Approved July 9, 2014)sent

The Barrington Cemetery Commission met on Wednesday, June 11, 2014 at 3:00 PM in the Meeting Room at the Barrington Public Library-Community Center.

Present Mr. John A. MacIntyre, Jr., Chair, Mr. Robert Black, Mrs. Sarah P. Small, Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Enzly Ramsay, Superintendent of Operations.

Mr. MacIntyre called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

Mr. MacIntyre moved acceptance of the minutes of the April 30, 2014 meeting as presented. Mr. Black seconded the motion. Motion carried. There was no meeting of the Commission during the month of May.

Superintendent's Report:

*Prince's Hill Section Signs have not been installed* – A new foundation for the PH Cemetery Section C>D sign will be installed, and all section signs placed in their proper locations by July 4<sup>th</sup>.

*Repair of Trash container at Forest Chapel Cemetery* – Mr. Ramsay will repair the trash container in place and fix the doors to the container located at the Nayatt Road entrance to FC.

*Refinish wooden tomb doors at PH Cemetery* – Mr. Ramsay indicated that he needs one day with low humidity to brush the sealant onto the tomb doors, which may need two or three coats with a light sanding after each coat. Mr. MacIntyre has the recipe for making the sealant.

*Fence Repair at PH* – Mr. Ramsay has not requested a quote for replacement of fence damaged by the storm last September, as borderline tree work in that area needs to be completed prior to fence repair. (See minutes dated April 30, 2014, and Oct. 9 and Sept. 11, 2013.)

Mr. Ramsay has requests to install four (4) foundations prior to July 4, with markers yet to be cut. The Broomhead foundation in PH, Section D Lot 259 is awaiting the finished marker. Mrs. Small requested the large forked stumps in PH next to the County Road RIPTA Bus Stop and the damaged Nathaniel Martin marker, be removed.

Mr. Black presented a Prince's Hill Cemetery, Cremation Garden and Columbarium "hand-out brochure" in two formats. There was discussion. MacIntyre moved and Mrs. Small seconded a motion that a limited-number of the Rev.6/2014 copies of a 6" x 9" colored format, on heavy weight stock, be produced for distribution before the price increase of full size, in-ground burial space becomes effective on July 1, 2014. Motion carried. (Brochure attached) Mr. Black will re-work the brochure to describe available in-ground features at both Prince's Hill and Forest Chapel.

The Final Loan Payment to the Town Treasurer for future burial space on George Street, Plat 37, Lot 053, purchased in November 2008, was *paid in full* via check from the Commission's Eagle Strategies investments prior to June 2, 2014 when it was due.

Selling graves back to the Town Cemetery Commission: Mrs. Small will request information regarding questions raised and success achieved from other members of the RI Historic Cemetery Commission, at their next meeting to be held on June 18, 2014. (See Cemetery Minutes

dated April 30, 2014.)

Fannin-Lehner Restoration Consultants Work from Monday, August 4<sup>th</sup> thru Friday August 8<sup>th</sup> : There are re-broken and damaged grave markers at Prince's Hill from the storm last September. (See minutes of Sept. 11, 2013 meeting). There are some markers within Forest Chapel, Lot numbers 1 through 271 (the original section of FC off Governor Bradford Drive), which need resetting and/or repair, and were not addressed last summer. There was discussion. Mr. Black and Mr. Ramsay will review the markers still needing attention, which might complete the Fannins' conservation work in both these active cemeteries, and the Commission will decide how best to use the Fannins' and the Commission's Preservation resources.

Mr. Ramsay announced that National Grid's request for installing utility poles on Forest Chapel Cemetery property near the intersection of Bay and Nayatt Roads, should not cause a problem with graves at FC. The Town and Mr. Ramsay will "sign off" on the use of FC property by National Grid.

Mr. Ramsay announced the New England Cemetery Association Conference will be held at the Cape Codder in Hyannis, MA in July, and in Amherst, MA December 2<sup>nd</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> . The RI Cemetery Association, of which the Barrington Cemetery Commission is a member, will hold the annual Clam Bake on July 23<sup>rd</sup> at Kempenaar's in Middletown.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 PM.

Sarah P. Small, Secretary