

BCC Min 2016. 06-08. Barrington Cemetery Commission (Approved July 21, 2016)

The Barrington Cemetery Commission met on Wednesday, June 8, 2016 at 3:00 PM in the Meeting Room at the Barrington Public Library-Community Center. Present: Ms. Susan L. Taylor, Chairman of the Commission; Mrs. Sarah P. Small, Secretary of the Commission; and Mr. Enzly Ramsay; Superintendent of Operations. Mr. Robert Black and Mr. Steve Primiano were absent.

Ms. Taylor called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm. The minutes of the May 11, 2016 meeting were approved on a motion by Ms. Taylor and seconded by Ms. Small.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Ramsay will order 6 fence-post caps for Tyler Point.

The 6 new trash barrels ordered from Belson at an estimated cost of \$800.00 each are on back-order. He hopes they will be delivered and installed by July 4th. (See minutes of Feb. 10, 2016.)

Forest Chapel water spigots have been activated at the top of the hill, the bottom of the hill and at Gate #3 off Governor Bradford Drive.

Prince's Hill's three barrels will be replaced at: 1) Half way between the main entrance (just off County Road next to the Town Hall) and the Peck Tomb; 2) At the water spigot on the back driveway; and 3) At the North Gate. Barrels will be emptied as needed. Signs regarding Spring Cleanup will be removed.

The signs regarding the banning of dogs in Barrington town cemeteries, as stated in the Barrington Cemetery Rules and Regulations, will be discussed at the July meeting.

The numbers on the RI Historic Cemetery Sign at Governor Bradford Drive needs to be replaced.

There was discussion about the American Flags placed on Veterans' graves for Memorial Day. Mrs. Small stated that the RI Veterans Cemetery in Exeter supplies flags to groups wishing to place flags, such as the Barrington Boy Scouts. The number of flags ordered is often in excess of those needed. Flags are to be placed close to the grave marker or headstone. The round, plastic flag holders, placed in the ground near the grave marker, are a hindrance to mowing operations. In the future, a better accounting for flags will be explored.

It was noted that Prince's Hill graves have not been put into a CAD format for parts of Sections D, E, and F and the Cremation Garden. Mr. Ramsay will contact the surveyor, Steve Murgo. Ms. Taylor will call Boston Scan to request all maps be scanned. Mr. Ramsay will contact Riverside Art for cost of printing.

Mr. Ramsay has not followed up with needed documentation for the family requesting burial in a grandparent's lot.

Mr. Ramsay's invoice dated 4/30/2016 listed a charge for replacing a foundation indicating that a "fee for maintenance" was added 8-10 years ago. The maintenance charge for the replacement of marker foundations should be reviewed. A maintenance charge for the replacement should be reviewed. There was discussion. It was voted to approve Mr. Ramsay's bill dated June 30, 2016.

The Bristol County Water bills for Prince's Hill and Forest Chapel are due quarterly and the PH National Grid Electric monthly.

Income, Expenses and Investments: After reviewing the reports of the Town Financial Officer, and Clerk's Office, the Commission still has questions regarding details of the Town's Interfund Offset account which represents the difference in the Cemetery Commission's income and expenses beginning in 2011. There was no balance prior to the year 2011. Discussion regarding investment cash flows continues.

Use of **CemeteryFind**: The Commission continues to refine functions of the CemeteryFind.com website. Mr. Ramsay will talk with Liz in his office regarding her ease of use.

Manny Fabrico has completed stone wall repairs at Watson Yard.

The Barrington 300th Anniversary meeting has been rescheduled to June 16, 2016.

The Fannins, of Fannin-Lehrer Restoration Consultants, have agreed to restore Barrington Cemeteries the week of August 21st. There was discussion. It was voted that the damaged monument to Samuel Watson in Watson Yard will be a priority.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Sarah P. Small, Secretary