

Minutes
Board of Cemetery Trustees
March 8, 2010 at 5:30pm

In attendance

Bonnie Clark - chair
Jane Black
Mary Jane Pierce
Joyce Pinkham
Laura Teisl

Opening

Moment of Silence

New Business

Introduction of new member

Laura Teisl was introduced as a new member to the Board. Laura replaced Peter Zelz, who moved to California. Bonnie recognized Peter's years of service.

Jane Black stepped down as secretary and Laura Teisl was nominated and voted in as new secretary.

New fence

Discussion regarding adding a fence to Clewleyville Cemetery ensued. Bonnie explained that a rock would be added near the fence to protect it from potential car accidents. Likewise, a gate would be added to the fencing on the Mann Hill Road side of the cemetery.

Two fencing companies were considered:

Allenfarm Fence Company, Inc. (located in Herman)

Members commented that prices seemed competitive. The styles and quotes considered are:

1. Ornamental - \$4400
2. Ranch - \$5350
3. Chain Link - \$4875

Ada Fence Company, Inc. (located in Palmyra)

Prices overall are twice as expensive as Allen Farm Company, Inc.'s prices.

Members decided that *Allenfarm Fence Company, Inc.* is the best option given pricing and that the ornamental style (2 rail) is the most visually appealing.

Bonnie is tabling the new fence discussion until she is able to get input from all members.

Tree Cutting

Two sickly, large white pine trees at the back of Tomb Cemetery need to be taken down and \$3000 has been requested in the budget for this task. *Campbell's Tree Service* in Brewer is being considered for the job.

Budget for 2010-2011

Bonnie presented the budget to the Town Council for approval. Likewise, all Board of Cemetery Trustees were emailed the same proposed budget.

Old Business

Cemetery Database

Members nominated and voted that the Microsoft Access cemetery database should be converted to Microsoft Excel to increase the ease of use for the Town of Holden employees could use it.

Cemetery Maps

It was agreed that Laura and Bonnie would continue to work on the Cemetery Maps during the summer.

Rules and Regulations

The Board agreed that a meeting schedule needs to be determined to edit the *Rules and Regulations for the Use of Cemeteries in the Town of Holden, Maine*. Members agreed to the importance of obtaining Cemetery Sexton Bruce Dowling's comments. The last adoption of changes of the *Rules and Regulations* was May of 2007.

Adjournment