Enfield Cemetery Trustees Minutes 14Jul2022

TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: DPW Conference Room

Present: Neal Meagher, Brian Degnan, Bridget Labrie(Cemetery Sexton), Rick Argent(DPW), Angus

Durocher

Call to order at 1805.

All Trustees present, Brian Degnan moves to reconfirm Neal as chair. Angus seconds. Angus moves to approve May 12 minutes as written. Neal second. 2-0-1, Degnan abstained. Neal moves to approve Jun 12 minutes as written. Degnan second. 2-0-1, Angus abstained.

Cemetery Sextant Report:

Bridget and Rick have "obviously" been working with Cemeteries. Mowing is happening more often in some of the cemeteries. Rick worked with the highway department and redid hardpack, and repainted the chain at Lockhaven. Hooked by a dog clip. No drug paraphernalia since there's been a chain. Dolores emailed notes regarding a recent Lockhaven visit. Rick is trying to get more time in there, but feels more work is more than fair considering the budget. Rick and grounds team also have been standing up headstones when able.

Angus, perhaps we should have a "friends of Enfield cemeteries" group. Bridget, I could go both ways on this because it takes management time to be effective. Bridget, I know some people who are might be interested, so I'll reach out and consider. Angus to Rick, if you have a dozen volunteers, what would you do? Rick: Fallen stones, simple branches as they take the most time. However, we probably don't want volunteers to repair stones.

Struckhoff would like to add soil to some Kluge plots with grass. Can we approve that? Bridget will check with Ed and Jim.

Also, regarding knickknacks, we need to have a better policy because it impedes mowing. We currently clear on 01 NOV, and can replace them on 15 MAY. Rick: The issue is that people put things there for Christmas, and then they are there for 11 months to 01 NOV. Bridget, how about we change our times to align with "burial dates" in our bylaws?

Back to maintenance, Rick should get an invoice to Bridget for DPW hardpack at Lockehaven. Rick, you know, in general, if people need something, they let us know and we'll get around it.

Bridget: No new calls on burials, but some calls on plots. Of course, the section that is desired was marked too wet, and possibly unsurveyed.

Need to contact Chris about finishing surveying. Bridget says that the money is encumbered, so shouldn't be an issue.

Back to re-soiling, Degnan says that he'd approve it so would Neal and Angus, but ask Ed/Jim first. We should know when this is desired, but there should be no expectation of DPW doing anything but mowing. Degnan: Anything that allows for personal responsibility is a precedence that I'm happy to support.

Sextant: I started looking at the PVC board for signage, but didn't find what we were looking for. Neal, I found that the guy who does signs for NH runs a campground. Trying to track him down. Who did Lakeside Park? Angus hates PVC board, Neal mentions maintenance. Still should do research. If Enfield gets rebranded, does that go on the cemeteries? Should we wait on this?

DPW report: Covered above.

Public comment: none

Skip Green Burial in detail for now, but nhfuneral.org has a page up regarding green burial. Add to agenda for next month following up the NH cemetery association regarding green burial. Bridget will reach out.

Response to public comment was sent to Mr. Marchetti. He sent an additional email as a follow-up. We appreciate his feedback and we'll revisit it. Short-term, we feel it's resolved, but improvements will be discussed.

Other business? none

Next meeting: More talk on green burial. Bridget follow-up for green burial feedback.

Motion to adjourn 1915.