

## **Minutes of Washington Cemetery Trustees' Meeting**

**Date:** April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.

**In Attendance:** Kevin Lawrence (chair), Dale Havunen and Kitty West (bookkeeper). Phil Barker was also present.

**Minutes Approved:** Minutes were approved for January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as written.

### **Old Business:**

We scheduled our yearly spring walk through for Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will meet at the New Center Cemetery at 8 am.

Phil said that he does not wish to be a sextant, but would prefer to be an advisor. He suggested a fee of \$18 an hour, which we felt was acceptable.

Kevin will contact John Kaufhold, at Peterborough Marble to schedule monument repairs in the Old Center Cemetery.

Kitty forgot to order flags this year, but it appears that we have just enough for placing before Memorial Day. She will order two dozen flags for replacing damaged flags during the year.

### **New Business:**

Kevin Lawrence was elected as chairman, and Kitty West was elected bookkeeper.

Kevin said that there was a tree down in the New Center Cemetery, but he cleaned it up.

Kitty suggested that we need a sign directing traffic at the end of the new lane that was put in last year and asked if we should have Ed Thayer get one for us. It was decided that, rather than ask Ed, we would prefer a wood sign.

Our next meeting will be on the 18<sup>th</sup> of May, as the last Monday of the month is Memorial Day.

Phil mentioned that Steve Carson has offered to help with burials and has a hoe.

We discussed the need for small groups at burials and feel they should be open to the immediate family only.

Kitty asked Phil about the plain corner markers that the trustees have. He said they should be used for row markers, rather than lot markers.

Phil was contacted by Randal Heller, who has a lot in the East Washington Cemetery. He wished to make a donation to the Cemetery Trustees for the maintenance of his lot. Phil advised him to contact the Trustees of Trust Funds with his request.

Dale suggested putting chains across the gateways of the cemeteries. Not to keep people out, but to keep vehicles out when the cemeteries are closed or the lanes muddy.

Kevin went to the Dole Graveyard, out at Ed's Corner, and found a large, old, maple at the corner had fallen and that the graveyard sign had been vandalized. He said someone had cut the new growth, but left it lying in the graveyard. Kevin cleaned up the wood and wired the sign to a tree, until it can be repaired.

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:21 p.m.

Bookkeeper,  
Kitty West

cc: files