

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

**Date:** May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.

**In Attendance:** Kevin Lawrence (chair), Dale Havunen and Kitty West (bookkeeper).

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

## **Old Business:**

Kevin contacted John Kaufhold, at Peterborough Marble, to schedule monument repairs in the Old Center Cemetery. John did not give a set date, but said that he will do the repairs as he is in the area placing monuments. Kevin will contact John again and request prices on corner markers.

Kitty was unable to order the same flags that we normally use, from the source we have been using. Kevin purchased twenty-two flags that he found locally. This will give us spare flags so we can replace those that become damaged.

## **New Business:**

There will be a full burial in the East Washington Cemetery on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

One of the items on our cemetery walk-through was the removal of one of the large old Maple trees in the East Washington Cemetery. The top of the trunk was dead and it had more dead branches than live. Dale removed it the week after the walk-through. We plan to place a whiskey barrel planter on the stump.

Another item on our walk-through was a drainage problem along the upper side of the new lane in the New Center Cemetery. Ed Thayer said he would fix the problem.

At our walk-through, a comment was made that we should close the Old Center Cemetery, and the Churchyard, 1860 and 1884 sections, in the East Washington Cemetery, to sales of any Right to Inter. This evening we voted to do so.

Kevin has ordered a wooden sign to be made, saying one way, for the new lane in the New Center Cemetery.

We voted to have people buy granite corner markers when they purchase their Right to Inter, to make sure it is done. They are to be installed within 30 days of purchase or at the time of burial, whichever comes first.

Kevin will check into the cost of posts to be placed at the entrance and exit of the New Center Cemetery.

Phil Barker had mentioned to Kevin that the highway department dumps the leaves in the fall, at the top of the cemeteries, then pushes them back into the trees. Burying the base of the trees will kill them. He suggested we remove the trees. We will see about doing it in the fall.

Our next meeting will be 7 pm, June 29<sup>th</sup> at the bandstand.

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:09 p.m.

Bookkeeper,  
Kitty West

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