MINUTES of the CEMETERY COMMISSION

Date:

September 6, 2019

Time:

2:30 p.m.

Place:

Town Hall Hearing Room

Members Present:

Bonnie Robicheau, Nancy Vail

Members Absent:

David Agger

Fall Clean Up

Saturday, October 26, 2019. Nancy will get it on the Town website and into the Banner and Cape Codder. Bonnie will get it into the various church bulletins. David will request participation from AmeriCorps.

CPC Application

Nancy will do a draft and send around for review and comment. Application deadline is October 15.

Monument Restoration

Discussion on the status of headstone repair. Nancy will ask Mary Rogers how much money we have left on our current CPC grant.

Entrance Gates

Discussion on ways to block off the 2 entries during Oysterfest. People have been parking irresponsibly on the grass and walking into town. Options could be installing lockable "swing arm" metal gates, temporary fencing, yellow police "do not cross" tape, sawhorses or cones from the DPW. Last year, a graveside service was held on the Saturday of Oysterfest and we had to meet the family up there to take down the blockades and put them up again after the service was over. Decided to do nothing this year and hope for the best.

Repair of Underground Storage Sheds

The brick storage shed on Jason Ave. is in serious disrepair and should be fixed. David will be tasked with soliciting quotes from masons when he gets back. We will use funds from our "sale of plots" budget line and not CPC funding. The shed on Central Ave. is in good condition.

FY21 Budget

Discussion on whether we should try to get a regular departmental budget from the Town. That way we might be able to hire a part-time person to do the mowing, maybe a retired person who would be happy to take their time and not damage the stones and corner markers by mowing so frantically so they can get out of there, as is the case with the DPW seasonal workers now. Maybe that person could also do stone restoration in the off-season. Concensus was that getting our own budget is highly unlikely this budget season and we will continue to discuss the issue in future meetings.

Adjourned: 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Vail

Nancy Vail, Chair