

TOWN OF BENNINGTON
CEMETERY TRUSTEES
Minutes of the Meeting- October 11, 2022
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Present Robert Christian, Chairman
 Karen Belcher

Guest Robert Lemieux

Chairman Christian called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The minutes of the August 9, 2022 meeting were tabled. In reviewing the minutes, there was a short discussion about the land between the Catholic Cemetery and Evergreen Cemetery on Stage Coach Road.

Karen reported that the St. Pierre lot that was purchased for their daughter has been verified and there will be an interment on October 22, 2022.

The Trustees discussed the Cemetery budget. Mr. Chicoine has submitted a bid for the 2023 season of mowing and cemetery care. It was noted that as there is money left in the current budget, lyme and grass seed will be purchased now. Karen made a motion to allow Rob to spend no more than \$300.00 on lyme and grass seed for use at the cemeteries. Rob seconded the motion and all were in favor. It was also noted that the bill for the fencing around Sunnyside Cemetery has been paid. Rob will work on the budget request for 2023.

In other business, Robert Lemieux attended the meeting to purchase a cemetery lot in Evergreen Cemetery. He purchased a half lot located in Row 20, Lot 4A for \$445.00. This can accommodate one full burial or four cremains. The Trustees reviewed the cemetery rules and regulations with Mr. Lemieux. Once the cemetery deed has been signed, it will be mailed to Mr. Lemieux. When the check for payment has cleared the bank, cornerstones with an "L" will be ordered.

In other business, it was noted that the "No sledding" sign should be put up in Sunnyside Cemetery. A request will also be given to the Highway Department asking not to allow snow to be plowed toward the cemetery fence and gate as it is causing damage. It was noted that the water has been shut off in the cemetery.

The Trustees will request that Joshua provide an updated version of the cemetery information that is currently on a “read only” CD. The Trustees need to have a version that can be a work copy and put on a thumb drive so that they can access it.

Nicholas Belcher has done 1 ½ hours of community service cleaning stones in Evergreen Cemetery. A letter of acknowledgement will be provided for his work.

Karen made a motion to cancel the November Cemetery Trustee meeting as the scheduled meeting is on election day. Rob seconded the motion and all were in favor.

As there was no other business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Debra Belcher
Cemetery Trustee Recording Secretary