

Meeting of the Kensington Cemetery Trustees

Tuesday, May 17th, 2022 at 6:30 PM

Minutes

Draft minutes to be voted on during the next meeting of the Kensington Cemetery Trustees

The meeting was in person at the Town Hall

In attendance:

Present:

Cemetery Trustees:

Katelynn Dow, Jackie Benson

Public:

Andy Roberts

Absent:

Nancy Roffman

Call to order at 6:29 PM.

Minutes:

The trustees reviewed and approved all outstanding draft minutes.

Old business:

1. Cemetery maintenance
 - a. Mowing - Cemetery hasn't been mowed yet this year. Jackie asked Kathy to nag the contractor to get it mowed before Memorial Day.
 - b. Stone repair - Jackie has asked Gravestone Services for an ETA on when they'll begin work on the Upper Yard stones.
 - c. Fence quotes - No other quotes besides CertaPro have been received for the fence painting.
 - i. Jackie moved that the trustees accept the Certapro proposal for \$7886.69 (preliminary quote) pending Selectboard approval of reallocating the additional \$886.69 from the cemetery's tree maintenance budget allocation.
Katelynn seconded.

A roll call vote was held:
Jackie - aye; Katelynn - aye
The motion was passed.

2. Cemetery records
 - a. New forms: Jackie reported that the new forms were forwarded by the selectbaord to counsel for review.
 - b. Updating burial records spreadsheet
 - i. Katelynn and Jackie set some preliminary dates for surveying new graves in the cemetery added since 2007 last map update in order to update cemetery map and records.
3. Cemetery bylaws
 - a. Katelynn is still working on a draft but will have it by the next meeting.
4. Cemetery communications
 - a. Town newsletter
 - i. Jackie wrote update on cemetery business for June-July-August issue.
 - b. Town website
 - i. No changes currently required.
5. Wreaths Across America
 - a. No new updates.

New business:

1. Cemetery mapping
 - a. The trustees were joined by Andy Roberts, who responded to Jackie's Facebook post seeking help with an update and improvement to the cemetery plot maps. Andy and the trustees enjoyed a lively discussion of the needs and requirements of a new cemetery map and some of the different possible approaches that could be taken. Andy is off to brainstorm how the project might best be framed and approached and will come back to the trustees with some suggestions. The trustees were very excited to have an informed and enthusiastic volunteer to assist with this effort.

The next meeting of the Cemetery Trustees was set for July 7 at 6:30PM in the Town Hall.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:54PM.