

MINUTES
PROVINCETOWN CEMETERY COMMISSION
JUNE 1, 2017

Present: Richard Olson (Chairman), Jack Kiefer, Mike Harpie and Susan Avellar.

Absent: Kurt Reynolds and Ruth Anne Cowing.

Also Present: Doug Johnstone, Town Clerk.

The Meeting convened at 3:05pm.

1. Minutes: The minutes of the May 4th. 2017 meeting were approved.
2. Cemetery Plot Sales: Doug Johnstone presented the sales of two single lots, which were approved.
3. Winthrop Street Restoration Project: Mike Harpie submitted a summary, minutes really, of the May 24, 2017 Special Meeting that was held on site at the Winthrop Street Cemetery, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

The commission voted to send our very sincere thanks to Rich Waldo, our DPW Director, for all the assistance he has given on this project and the continuing attention of the DPW to details that the contractor seems to have neglected,

Rich Waldo has also promised that DPW will install the flagpole being transferred from the VFW and the related plaque. We will aim to have a dedication ceremony of some sort on Veteran's Day.

The apparent disappearance of the "Mother" stone is to be investigated, and the fallen stone of Revolutionary War Veteran Alexander Gross is to be properly re-erected.

Susan Avellar volunteered to discuss planting, where needed, with the Beautification Committee.

Richard Olson reported that Amy Wharf McGuiggan has agreed to assist in the creation of historic signage at Winthrop Street.

4. Gifford and Hamilton Cemeteries: No progress to report. However the issue was raised regarding the need to restore snow fencing along the edge of Cemetery Road at the Hamilton Cemetery.
5. Alden Street Old Section: No progress to report.
6. Alden Street New Sections: No current issues.
7. Cemetery Finances: Most recent report from Director of Municipal Finances attached. Noted that the Gift Fund is still \$700 shy of being able to pay the balance of the printer's bill for our well – acclaimed Cemetery Brochure. Contributions from the VSB, Historical Commission, “Provincetown 400”?
8. VFW Request re Flagpole for Winthrop Street: See agenda item 3. Also noted that Amy Whorf McGuiggan is working on the project to commemorate at least five Revolutionary War veterans.
9. Other Business: Jack Kiefer suggested that we may have a problem with an apparently homeless gent camping out by the cemetery garage at Alden Street. Susa Avellar will discuss this with Tony Lemme and perhaps the police.
10. Next Meeting: Set for Thursday, July 6th. 2017 at 3:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard B, Olson, Chairman.