

Cemetery Meeting Minutes
Provincetown Cemetery Commission
~~March 1~~, 2010
Community Center

April 5,

Present: Richard Olson, Thomas Myers, Greg Howe, Mark Collins

Meeting called to order at 2:05p.m.

Item 1. Minutes from last meeting approved

Item 2. Billy Rogers was present and gave a status update on the expansion project. Billy stressed the importance of pinning down Dr. Eve Schreuder to determine exactly what amount of land is feasible to expand, and whether the possibility of obtaining land for at least 20 more lots for the short term was feasible.

Item 3. Availability of existing lots ^{re}

One lot is currently being purchased, apparently from an ad that was posted on Craigslist, the check for which had been received from Town Hall and was being forwarded on to the current owner.

Item 4. Winthrop Street Cemetery

There was a discussion raised about the possibility of starting a "Friends of the Cemetery Group" to help raise money for things such as restoration of historic monuments and markers. Since there are state requirements regarding opening and maintaining such an account, and year end tax reporting requirements, it was determined that it would be best for such an account to be held under town hall auspices.

It was suggested that Tom ask Pru ~~S~~^Bowers to do an article in the Banner on the cemetery.

Tom was also to check with Americorps to ask about the possibility of cleaning the cemetery.

Tom was to check with the DPW as to what agreement they had made with

Dick regarding shrub and stump removal.

Item 5. Ongoing discussion of cemetery related funds.

Quarterly charge from Merryl Lynch exorbitant? (\$283.32) Is that 17% of ^{the} increase the fund?

A question was raised as to how much an above ground crematorium would cost.

Item 6. Question as to the need for deeds to the lots, and whether there should be back up records of the deeds register at Town Hall. Deeds are currently handwritten in to Tony Lemme's ledger. It was strongly suggested that these records be photocopied and stored in a separate location.

Costs of Burial Services clarified:

\$500.00-Regular Burial Lot

\$300-Perpetual Care Cost

\$400-Open/Close Fee

\$150.00- Cost of Cremation

Item 7. Election of Officers

Postponed until full attendance at meeting.

Job of Secretary to be ad hoc until election. Duty of such to be rotated monthly.

Item 8. Question of Warrant Article

Wording of warrant for approval of expansion (due to presence of spade foot toad).

Item 9. Date of next meeting set for Monday May 3rd, at the Community Center.

Meeting adjourned.

Gregory Howe, Sec. Pro-Tem