



*Town of Ware
Cemetery Commission
99 Pleasant Street, Ware, Massachusetts 01082*

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
CEMETERY COMMISSION
MONDAY, January 10, 2022**

Location: Town Hall
Present: Craig Simmons, Julie Bullock, Roy Erickson, John Piechota, Stuart Beckley

Meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm

Minutes

BULLOCK: Motion to approve the minutes of the November 2021 meeting

ERICKSON: Second
All were in favor

The grant application for Maintaining Grave Stones and their history was approved. A meeting will be set up with Miss Conde to discuss stone cleaning will be set up at a later date.

Craig will put together a report for the Town Meeting and asked for any corrections.

Craig suggested that a yearly meeting with the DPW Head and Stuart Beckley should be set up to discuss what needs to be done in the Cemetery. It was suggested to have the meeting this year in February.

There was a discussion regarding tree planting. Craig would like to plant 10 dogwood trees. John Piechota suggested having a discussion with the Tree Warden as to what and where trees should be planted. In keeping with the history of the Cemetery, John suggested some oaks planted where they could be easily maintained.

John reported that although the Cemetery roads are bumpy, they were still able to be plowed. John thinks that the roads do not need to be reconstructed, but shim coat and chip seal, which may discourage skateboarding. He will defer to the DPW. Craig suggested putting something in the budget for some road work.

Craig would like to see the Memorial Garden completed at some point. He suggested dressing it up with benches. John reported that cremation burials could be there, since it's not necessary to dig deep.

Updates from John Piechota

- John reported that he and crew are working on trees. The DPW is aware of the dead trees that need to come down in Section S.
- Plowing has started.
- Brush season is coming up.
- the Cemetery was gifted a brush blade.
- The building is cleared out and the auctioned equipment is gone

Misc.

Roy reported that he received a call from Matt Hebert who would like to film a video in Aspen Grove. Roy shared a copy of the lyrics with the Commissioners to be sure they were not offensive.

ERICKSON: Motion to permit Matt Hebert to film his video at Aspen Grove and complete the appropriate application.

BULLOCK: Second
All were in favor.

Julie reported that the “Rules and Regulations” will be ready for the Commissioners’ review at the next meeting.

There being no further business, Roy Erickson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:50

The next meeting will be on February 14, 2022

Recorder
Nancy Dunn

Approved:

Craig Simmons _____

Julie Bullock _____

Roy Erickson _____

