



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

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
CEMETERY COMMISSION
Monday, June 12, 2023**

Location: 99 Pleasant Street, Ware, MA
Present: Craig Simmons, Paul Harper, John Piechota
Excused: Roy Erickson

Meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm

Minutes

SIMMONS: Motion to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2023 meeting of the Cemetery Commission.

HARPER: Second
All were in favor

Finances

Paul reported that there seems to be more income in the Cemetery Accounts this month.

The Highway Department did patchwork and the roads look better. The vault area will be done next.

The dead tree near the Aspen Gun Club area that was donated and planted by the EQLT will be replaced by the EQLT. Other trees are okay. There are two dead shrubs that need to be replaced.

HARPER: Motion to spend \$200.00 to replace the two dead shrubs in Section O. The money to be taken from the Conkey Gift Account.

SIMMONS: Second
All were in favor

Last month \$1,000 was appropriated for work on the Vault/Entrance. Paul is working with the Boy Scout leaders for a possible Eagle Scout project.

Other cemetery projects are caught up. Paul suggested that the Candy Cummings stone needs to be cleaned. John suggested teaching Dan how to clean stones.

Updates from John Piechota

There was a brief discussion concerning the hiring process for the new DPW employee.

A new flag has been ordered for the pole in front of the Cemetery.

The purchase of Cemetery flags will be included when John orders flags each year.

John and his crew will do the clearing and grading for the Vault area. He will check on the weather for doing the planting.

The mower for the Cemetery is using a lot of gas and might need to be replaced next year.

The barn at Aspen Grove has been deemed unsafe and the DPW will need to begin looking into demolition.

The ADA has determined that the Cemetery Office and seating areas in the Cemetery are not ADA acceptable.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00.

The next meeting will be in July 17, 2023 at Aspen Grove Cemetery Office.

Nancy Dunn, Recorder

Approved:

Craig Simmons_____

Paul Harper_____

Roy Erickson_____

