

BRIDPORT BOARD OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting held on Friday, November 16, 2018 at 1:00 P.M. at the Bridport Town Clerk's Office at 82 Crown Point Road in Bridport

Present: David Bronson, Paul Wagner, Mark Pumiglia, David Basque and Joan Huestis

2018 GRAVESTONE WORK: David Bronson gave a summary report on gravestones re-straightened and with cleaning done this year. In the Central Cemetery about 330 were re-straightened east of the entrance driveway, about 130 were re-straightened in the first five rows (3-long, 2-short) west of the entrance driveway plus others elsewhere, (of which about 15 were broken gravestones epoxied back together). In Town Line Cemetery about 61 were re-straightened in the west section plus others elsewhere, (of which about 8 were broken gravestones epoxied back together and 3 gravestones used mortar to restraighten them) and all of the about 250 gravestones had cleaning done thereon. In Well Cemetery 3 were re-straightened and all had cleaning done thereon. In Pine Hill Cemetery 2 were re-straightened and all had cleaning solution sprayed thereon to try to kill lichens, etc. but no other physical cleaning was done this year.

2018 CEMETERY EXPENSES: David Bronson handed out a sheet on known "2018 Expenses of Cemeteries as of November 16, 2018".

All approved of the following: THAT Craig L'Heureux's \$760.00 Bill for mowing/trimming, etc. the Town Line Cemetery and up to \$1,620.00 of 2018's other cemetery expenses be paid from the Vermont Federal Credit Union Account for Town Line and Pine Hill Cemeteries Funds and THAT any other money needed to pay for 2018 cemetery expenses beyond the \$6,000.00 of Town Cemetery budgeted money, be paid from Central Cemetery Funds in Vermont Federal Credit Union Accounts.

EDLA BROWNE TRUST: David Bronson reported he spoke with the Trust's Attorney the day before and the main asset of the Trust, house property on the Lake, still has not been sold.

2019 CEMETERY EXPENSES: All approved of the following: THAT the Central Cemetery Funds again pay the Town \$1,000.00 towards the 2019 mowing/trimming costs for the Central Cemetery and THAT the Town is again asked to have \$6,000.00 for a 2019 Town Cemetery Budget Account.

CEMETERY LOTS SOLD IN 2018: David Bronson reported on the following lot sales:

in Central Cemetery:

Andrew and Marianne Manning 3-lots for \$600.00
Margaret Rother 1-lot for new price of \$500.00

in Pine Hill Cemetery:
William and Deborah Smith 1-lot for \$200.00

in Town Line Cemetery:
Craig and Linda L'Heureux 2-lots for \$400.00

SHELDRIK: All approved of a November 16, 2018, Letter to Donald and Angelia Sheldrick concerning a final offer of 2-lots in the Central Cemetery at the older price.

PERPETUAL CARE: All approved of asking the Selectboard to include on the 2019 Annual Town Meeting Warning THAT voters be asked whether they want the Town to continue to set aside for perpetual care a portion of the sale proceeds of each lot and, if the vote is to do so, what percentage of such sale proceeds the voters want set aside for perpetual care.

MEETING ADJOURNED at about 2:15 P.M.

Respectfully,



David A. Bronson, Assistant Secretary

NOTE: Subject to later approval by the Board