

Welton Cemetery Meeting
October 21, 2009

Ms. Kimpton called the meeting to order at 4:10 PM.

Roll Call: Marcianne Kimpton-present, Newell Beaumier-present, Charles Boehnlein-absent

Visitors: Judy Beaumier, Marty Motil, Chris Paquette

Mr. Beaumier made a motion to approve the October 7, 2009 meeting minutes and Ms. Kimpton seconded. By voice vote, all board members agreed.

Mr. Boehnlein arrived at 4:23 PM.

Mr. Motil reviewed quotes for asphalt to be installed at the entrance and exit of the Cemetery drive and said these companies will try to get the job done before the end of their season. Ronyak Brothers quoted \$4,260 and Town & Country quoted \$3,950. Mr. Beaumier made a motion to accept the quote for \$3,950 from Town & Country for the paving work at Welton Cemetery and Mr. Boehnlein seconded. Roll Call: Newell Beaumier-yes, Charles Boehnlein-yes, Marcianne Kimpton-yes

The Board would like Mr. Motil to ask the company if their quote will hold at the same price for 2010 if they are unable to complete the project this year.

Discussion was held on the benches to be placed behind the Ford Mausoleum and in front of the Veterans Memorial. Ms. Kimpton thought black benches would look better and Mr. Motil thought a different base would be better for installation. Mr. Beaumier made a motion to purchase the 6 feet long, surface mount base benches from Upbeat Site Furnishings for \$545 to be stored at the Street Department and installed next year. Ms. Kimpton seconded. Roll Call: Newell Beaumier-yes, Marcianne Kimpton-yes, Charles Boehnlein-yes

The Board discussed the drainage issue with Mr. Motil. Mr. Motil is going to jet the existing pipe in the spring next year.

Ms. Dahlhausen said that she has an issue with headstones being in the wrong place during a recent burial for Mrs. Billie Smith (Section Q, Lots 12-17). Not only was the headstone for Mrs. Smith's husband (Ralston Fox) one lot south of where it should have been, but it was also at the foot of the grave to the west. The Roberts stone, who are buried to the south of Mr. Smith, was the same way. Since there weren't foundations under these stones and the ground was too hard to probe at the time of the burial, Ms. Dahlhausen went with what the records said and buried Mrs. Smith in the lot which was supposed to be next to her husband and where she was to be buried.

During a recent burial, Mr. Gingerich and Ms. Dahlhausen decided to probe the graves since the ground was wet. They noticed there was an empty grave between Mr. and Mrs. Smith. Ms. Dahlhausen has been in contact with the Funeral Home, who is personal friends of Mr. and Mrs. Smith's children. The Village would be responsible for correcting the mistake since it was made by the Welton Cemetery Clerk in 1975. So far the son is okay with just deeding the lot his father has been in and leaving an empty lot between, but would like to discuss this with his sister. He asked that a foundation for the stone is placed at his father's grave. Mr. Boehnlein made a motion to place a foundation at the head of Mr. Ralston Fox Smith's lot as long as they decide to just deed the lot the father currently is in and Ms. Kimpton seconded. By voice vote, all Board members agreed.

Ms. Dahlhausen typed a new deed for the Roberts, who were also buried a grave to the south and will put both copies of the deed in the deed book since she doesn't know how to contact the family. There are also two graves that belong to the Casserlie's (to the south of Roberts) but a deed cannot be found. It could possibly be from the missing deed book. According to our records, the graves for the Casserlie's are empty and there aren't any first names. Ms. Dahlhausen called the only Casserlie that were in the phone book and they said the grave isn't theirs. A new deed can be typed in the future if the previous deed is presented to the Clerk.

Mrs. Kimpton made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Boehnlein seconded. The Welton Cemetery meeting adjourned at 5:12 PM.

Board President

Cemetery Clerk