

Welton Cemetery Meeting Minutes

March 15, 2017

Ms. Kimpton called the meeting to order at 11:15 AM.

Roll Call: Marcianne Kimpton – present; Arleen Richardson – present; Newell Beaumier -- not present

Council Representative: Roberta Dobay – not present (arrived at 11:50 am)

Visitors: Lisa Hernandez

Clerks Report:

Mrs. Kimpton made a motion to accept the minutes of January 16, 2017. Ms. Richardson seconded. By voice vote, motion passed.

Old Business:

The Board revisited the idea of raising Cemetery Interment fees. Ms. Richardson suggested that raising the prices would put Welton Cemetery in-line with Slitor Cemetery, located in Burton Township. After examining the Cemetery Cost Analysis prepared by Ms. Hernandez, the Board decided to raise all Internment fees by \$100 across the board, effective immediately. Ms. Richardson made a motion to raise the prices; seconded by Ms. Kimpton. By vote, the motion passed.

The Board further decided that at this time, cemetery plot prices will remain the same, as will all Indigent burial fees.

The Board will address Mr. Bowman and his request for Resident pricing for cemetery plots at the next meeting, which Mr. Bowman is expected to attend.

Mrs. Anne Bertoldi made a request through funeral director, Don Sly, to plant a tree in plots owned by the Roy/Bertoldi family. After discussing the matter, the Board agreed that no new trees or shrubs should be planted in the Cemetery. A motion was made by Ms. Kimpton and seconded by Ms. Richardson. By voice vote, the motion passed.

New Business:

The Board will commission Hess Engineering to produce an up-to-date Master Cemetery Map, together with smaller, section maps. The motion was made by Ms. Kimpton and seconded by Ms. Richardson. By voice vote, the motion passed.

Ms. Kimpton noted that on a recent visit to the Cemetery, that many markers in a certain section were sinking underground. Ms. Kimpton would like footers to be put in at those sites. Ms. Dobay suggested that the families be contacted to see if they would pay for it. Ms. Kimpton did not feel that was reasonable, since it would be too difficult to contact family members, many of whom may be deceased. It was decided to table discussion of this matter until Ms. Kimpton and Ms. Dobay could visit the Cemetery together, to see which markers were affected.

Ms. Kimpton, Ms. Richardson and Ms. Hernandez will visit Middlefield Bank in Newbury in the near future, to update the signature card on the Cemetery's safety deposit box there.

It was decided to paint the cemetery urns black this year.

Adjournment:

Ms. Richardson moved to adjourn and Ms. Kimpton seconded. By voice vote, the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 12:22 pm.