

## WELTON CEMETERY / VILLAGE OF BURTON

MAY 10, 2023

### MINUTES

**ROLL CALL:** Bonnie Richards- present, Arlene Richardson–present, Sally Erickson–present, Rosalie Burbridge-present.

**Visitors:** Debbie Palmisano-Arborist

**Administrator:** Ms. Biegacki stated Mrs. Barbara Stenross Russell notified the Village of Burton requesting The Welton Cemetery purchase her lot back. Mrs. Stenross-Russell resides out of state in South Carolina and has found a new resting place for her and her husband. Mrs. Burbridge made a motion to approve the lot buyback for Mrs. Stenross-Russell in the amount of \$500.00. Mrs. Richards seconded the motion, followed by Sally Erickson and Arlene Richardson.

Mrs. Burbridge brought forward the Auburn Fence quote for repairs. Mrs. Erickson stated the Village may want to get a second quote from a different fence company, due to pricing. Cemetery Board members discussed other options, and agreed since Auburn Fence initially did the cemetery installation of the fence, they will stick with this company and quote. Mrs. Burbridge made a motion to have Auburn Fence complete the repairs, seconded by Mrs. Richards. By voice vote, the motion has been approved by all board members.

Mrs. Biegacki stated a resident of the Village notified the office, explained she went to view the foundation that she was told was ready. The resident went into the Cemetery and noticed there was no foundation. Ms. Dahlhausen did verify the mistake, and phoned Mr. Szuszkiewicz promptly. It was also noted that no money will come out of The Village of Burton funding for the replacement.

Ms. Palmisano stated she is planning on planting Black Gum trees that are about 7 to 9' tall in the cemetery. These trees will run in range from \$65.00 to \$89.00 apiece. She exhibited a "tree diaper" that holds moisture for the newly planted trees. The price is \$32.01 for 1 diaper, and she is requesting 3. Mrs. Burbridge made a motion to purchase the 3 trees, along with the tree diapers. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Erickson. By voice vote, the motion was approved. Trees will be planted at the end of May before Memorial Day

**OLD BUSINESS:** Mrs. Burbridge stated the cemetery grounds look unkept and has requested the Cemetery be groomed, as well as weed whacked around the stones, before Memorial Day. Also, the Mrs. Burbridge discussed with Ms. Palmisano the stump that was to be removed from the cemetery when a large Spruce fell. She contacted the Valo Tree Company to remove the tree as well as the stump, which cost \$400.00. Ms. Palmisano will arrange for a stump grinder to come in and remove the Spruce stump in the cemetery. The information holder at the cemetery entrance needs to be cleaned and current literature inside.

Mrs. Burbridge has requested to meet again in the Fall of 2023. The fall meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:30AM in the Village Office.

ADJOURN

