

Meeting was called to order by Thomas at 4:02 pm in the basement meeting room of the Town Hall. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Trustees Matthew Thomas, Steve Tomasz, and MaryJo Holmes and Sexton Shawn Perreault.

Motion was made to approve the meeting minutes of 11 October 2023 by Thomas, seconded by Tomasz. Motion passed with a vote of 2 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain (Holmes).

Motion was made to approve the meeting minutes of 1 December 2023 by Thomas, seconded by Tomasz. Motion passed with a vote of 2 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain (Holmes).

Perreault presented a request she received from the Meisner family to have two headstones. One will be located on Lot A50 in the new section of Leavitt Cemetery, and the second will be located on A51.

Thomas made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Tomasz. Motion passed by a vote of 3 Yes , 0 No.

Joe Bolduc submitted his estimate for clearing the left side of Leavitt as discussed in the minutes of December 1, 2023. The amount to clear and chip all the trees is \$4,800. Motion was made by Holmes to approve the work and expense with the stipulation that if the work cannot be completed this year, the funds will be encumbered. Motion passed with a vote of 3 Yes, 0 No.

There was discussion relative to Leon Holmes Jr's estimated cost of \$1,000 for the Town Highway crew to do stump removal after J. Bolduc completes his work at Leavitt. Motion was made by Holmes to approve the \$1,000 and if able encumber the funds if the work cannot be completed this year. Motion passed by a vote of 3 Yes, 0 No.

Thomas informed the Trustees that Steve Carder has done a final fall clean up at the Isaac Brown Cemetery on Main Street. Mr. Carder also stated that he is retiring from taking care of the cemetery and would like to pass it back to the Trustees. The Sexton will be meeting with Tom Paoletta and Carlson sometime in the Spring to discuss this work. She will also work with Carlson to determine if Tom can do it all or if the landscaping company needs to go out twice during the season in addition to Tom. A thank you letter was prepared and sent by the Trustees to the Carders.

Thomas received an invoice from Epoch Preservation Inc in the amount of \$1,500. Epoch would come out once to do a gravestone cleaning and simple reset workshop, to show anyone interested how to clean the gravestones. It would also include the purchase of cleaning solution needed for the cleaning and have another meeting to determine which stones are in need of repair and what needs to be done. Motion was made to approve payment and set up a meeting in the Spring when the cemeteries reopen by Holmes, seconded by Thomas. Motion passed by vote of 3 Yes, 0 No.

Thomas reached out to Gerry Tilley to thank her for placing the wreaths in coordination with the Annual Wreaths Across America Ceremony. Ms. Tilley had help this year and all hooks were placed deeper, per the request of the Trustees. The ceremony will be held on Saturday December 16, 2023 at 12:00 noon and the Boy Scout Troop will be assisting. This is probably Tilley's last year being involved. She is looking for someone to take over.

Perreault informed the Trustees that she was sending a thank you letter to Acre Shaper Landscaping for their great work.

Thomas set the next meeting for April 10, 2024 at 4:00 pm in the basement meeting room at the Fremont Town Hall.

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Motion to adjourn was made by Holmes, seconded by Thomas. Meeting adjourned at 4:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shawn Perreault
Cemetery Sexton