

Present were Cemetery Trustees Matthew Thomas, Steve Tomasz, and Mary Jo Holmes, Town Administrator Heidi Carlson and Cemetery Sexton Shawn Perreault. The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance at 4:05 pm.

### Old Business

**Minutes:** Motion was made by Thomas to approve the Cemetery minutes of September 7, 2022. Tomasz seconded. Minutes approved as presented by a vote of 2-0-1 (Holmes).

**Leavitt Wall – Status Update:** Perreault updated the Trustees on the progress of removing the wall. The Martin's have been a huge help in taking down the wall, putting everything in the dumpster provided and working with Perreault to move the project forward. Perreault stated that she has received two bids, one of which needs some clarifications. The bid deadline is October 21, 2022. There is at least one more bid to come in. If anyone sees the meeting and wishes to submit a bid, Perreault will provide them with the same information as the other bidders. We are looking to compare apples to apples. Holmes made a motion to hold a special meeting on October 26, 2022 at 4:00 pm to review all bids and hear recommendations to make a final decision on which bid will be accepted. Tomasz seconded. Motion passed with a vote of 3-0. Carlson and Perreault will then work on signing the contracts and encumbering the funds. It is anticipated work will begin first thing next spring.

**Leavitt Cemetery – Gravel Drive:** Perreault stated that no spraying has happened because the weeds have been controlled with all the driving in and out of the wall project. This will become part of Tom's maintenance of Leavitt starting in the Spring.

**Cemetery Ordinance:** This was tabled until next Spring. There are some questions and clarification still needed. There are no pressing concerns/needs at this time.

**Village Cemetery Ramp:** Carlson is going to contact Aaron and make sure this gets on his list of things to do. Trustees are hoping it might be completed by the October 26<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Budget – Current and 2023:** The budget recommendations made by the Select Board were reviewed by the Trustees. In order to keep the line of Mowing wages open, the Select Board added \$1. The Select Board is also recommending 5% raises for employees instead of the 2%. Holmes asked for clarification on some of the changes the Trustees had made. Perreault provided her with the copy of changes and Holmes' questions were answered.

**Landscaping:** Carlson informed the Trustees that the Landscaping company has some ideas and requests regarding the Veteran markers that will make their job easier. Carlson has already spoken with them about continuing their work in Fremont next year. There will be a little increase in the pricing, but it is proven itself this year. Everyone was in agreement to continue to move forward. Perreault will contact the company and find out what they are seeking by the next meeting. Then the Trustees will determine if it is something that can be accommodated.

### New Business

**Sexton Report:** Perreault went over any new lot purchases, burials and mapping. She also reviewed a request made to allow an individual to purchase a lot out of order. It was determined that due to the rules and systems that have been set in place, as well as prior sales, the Trustees are not going to approve the skip over in lots. The systems is designed to make sure issues and problems are kept to a minimum.

Perreault will make up an announcement that all families will need to remove everything from gravesite by October 31<sup>st</sup> to avoid anything happening to their mementos before Fall Clean up. There have been problems in the pass of items getting blown over the bank or missing due to the leave blowing and such that occurs during clean up.

**Wreaths Across America:** They are going to continue with this project. Hooks will be set before the ground freezes and the wreaths will be set on December 17<sup>th</sup> by volunteers.

**Village – Water Pump:** Perreault will follow up with Carlson to make sure the water is scheduled to be turned off before winter hits.

At 5:12 pm a motion was made to adjourn by Thomas. Holmes seconded and the vote was approved 3-0.

The next meeting will be held on October 26, 2022 at 4:00 in the Basement Meeting Room.

Following that the next meeting will be in the spring, on April 5, 2023 at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shawn Perreault  
Cemetery Sexton