

Lakeville Cemetery Commission

Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Chairman Orrall in the Local History Room of the Lakeville Public Library.

Members present: Commissioners Orrall and Morton

Members absent: Commissioner Upham

The meeting was not recorded.

Minutes of the July 12, 2022 meeting were read and approved.

Minutes of the November 7, 2022 meeting with the Select Board re price increases for burials and the appointment of Joan Gladu Morton to finish the unexpired term of Fred Beal, who resigned due to illness, were read and approved.

Old Business:

1. The Select Board asked the Commission to return to a future meeting with new fees for burials. The new fees will need to be posted for public viewing. Review of the new fee schedule was tabled until the next meeting.
2. The resetting of Phoebe Turner's table stone at Thompson Hill Cemetery was discussed. Chairman Orrall has located a company in Rhode Island that has the brownstone we need for this project. He will contact this company for further details on having it cut to size and picked up.

New Business:

1. Two dead ash trees in front of Clark Cemetery need to be removed before they fall into the cemetery and damage stones. Chairman Orrall contacted the Highway Department re this. Town DPW Director Franklin Moniz and Town Administrator Ari Sky looked at the situation. Although the trees most likely stand in the state's right of way, they advised Chairman Orrall to contact tree companies for estimates and to hire the lowest qualified bidder to remove the trees and assign the expense to the Cemetery Commission budget. Chairman Orrall presented three estimates. Chairman Orrall has asked Representative Orrall to check on the removal of the trees by the state, since they are in the state road layout. A motion was made by Chairman Orrall and seconded by Commissioner Morton to remove the iron rails from

the fence near the trees until the trees are removed to prevent them from being damaged. Chairman Orrall will check with South East Fence re this. If no assistance is coming from the state, a motion was made by Commissioner Morton and seconded by Chairman Orrall to accept the lowest estimate and move forward with the tree removal at the expense of the Cemetery Commission.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.