

VERNON CEMETERY COMMISSION

March 7, 2017

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The regular meeting of the Vernon Cemetery Commission was called to order at 3:10 p.m. by Chairman Jean Luddy at the Cemetery Office at Grove Hill Cemetery. Members present were Jean Luddy, Stuart Edwards, and Norine Edwards. Absent were Lois-Jane Tonski and Judy Hany. Also present were Superintendent Alan West and Secretary Carol Nelson.

Citizen's Forum – No members of the public were present.

Minutes

- a. Regular Meeting of December 6, 2016 – A motion was made by Norine Edwards, seconded by Stu Edwards and unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2016 regular meeting as presented.
- b. Special Meeting of January 26, 2017 – A motion was made by Norine Edwards, seconded by Stu Edwards and unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2017 Special Meeting as presented.

Superintendent's Report

- a. Budget – The FY18 budget has been submitted and we are waiting for a meeting with the mayor and finance director. Due to declining interments an increase in funding from the Town of Vernon will be needed. The total budget shows an increase from \$321,000 to \$329,000, primarily due to increased pension allocations.
- b. Capital Improvements – Dump Truck – The purchase of a replacement dump truck will be put off for at least another year. The current vehicle is in good condition and will require only a little maintenance.

Unfinished Business

Brick Memorial Walkway – Sample of the engraved emblems were displayed. There are a total of 186 bricks with the size of 4 x 8 and 93 larger size bricks 8 x 8. Pricing of the engraved bricks was discussed. A motion was made by Norine Edwards, seconded by Stu Edwards and unanimously voted to set the price of the bricks at \$50 for the 4 x 8 and \$100 for the 8 x 8.

New Business –

- a. Stone Wall and Memorial Garden Project – A new project was proposed to establish a landscaped area behind the chapel. A split maple tree that is in poor shape will be removed. A perennial garden with field stone terracing would be planned. This site could possibly include cremation area. A motion was made by Stu Edwards, seconded by Norine Edwards and unanimously voted to approve the stone wall project.

Any Other Business – none.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:57 p.m. with a motion made by Stu Edwards, seconded by Norine Edwards.

Approved:

September 5, 2017

Carol S. Nelson

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Cemetery Secretary