

Lakeville Cemetery Commission

Meeting Minutes

July 12, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 10:38 a.m. by Chairman Orrall in the Local History Room of the Lakeville Public Library.

Members present: Commissioners Orrall and Upham

Members absent: Commissioner Beal- due to illness

Guests: Former Commissioner Morton

The meeting was recorded by LakeCam.

The minutes of the June 14, 2022 meeting were read and approved after they were amended to say that LakeCam did not record the meeting. LakeCam did record the meeting but there was a technical issue with the recording.

Old Business:

1. Phoebe Turner's Table Stone

Commissioner Orrall has located a dealer in Newport who has brownstone in Tiverton. It is from upper New York State, is stronger than local brownstone and does not slag easily. Commissioners will look at it to see if it is what we want. The cost is \$150.00/ linear foot . Three pieces would give us six legs. There would be an additional cost to cut it. We will contact someone to set the stones. Commissioner Upham will contact a mason he knows. Tabled for more research.

2. Cemetery Prices

Since the price of gas and diesel has gone up, we will raise the fee for opening a grave from \$850.00 to \$1000.00. We will leave everything else the same. The funeral director directly pays the gravedigger. We get a \$50.00 recording fee. A motion was made and seconded to raise the fee for openings. The fee for cremains openings will remain at \$300.00. Chairman Orrall would like to wait for Commissioner Beal to be present to discuss the other fees. The new fee will be posted in the Standard Times.

New Business:

1. Cemetery Checks

Commissioner Upham:

- a. Veterans Cemetery has been mowed twice.
- b. There were two burials at Precinct.
- c. There are seven Yucca plants which need to be removed at Thompson Hill. We will get a backhoe to dig them out, then use weed killer.

Chairman Orrall:

- a. Haskins and Richmond are fine, but there is a lot of trash in them.
- b. Clark and Pond are fine.

If there are any issues, a violation notice will be put on the stone for one month.

If issue is not resolved, the Cemetery Commission will take appropriate action.

2. Chairman Orrall will be showing plots at Strobridge. Commissioner Upham will go with him. Commissioner Upham will contact John Pink re the new layout. He will get the Town Office chart of Strobridge and give a copy to Chairman Orrall.

3. Commissioner Upham will serve as Vice Chairman of the Cemetery Commission.

The next meeting will be on the second Tuesday of August at 10:30 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.