

Regular Meeting of the Cemetery Commission
With Zoom Access
Monday June 14, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.
Bristol Historical Society, 98 Summer Street, Bristol, CT 06010

ATTENDEES: Chairman Michael Saman
Commissioner Stanley Piotrowski
Commissioner Linda Arbesman
Commissioner Thomas LaPorte

ABSENT:
Commissioner Deanne Levesque
Council Member Brittany Barney

1. Call to Order

Chairman Saman called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

2. Public Participation

None.

3. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Arbesman to accept the May 10, 2021 meeting minutes as written.

Seconded by Commissioner Piotrowski.

All in favor; motion passed

4. Old Business by Commissioners

- Where are the found grave stones (Mine Brook) being stored? Do next?
 - No update. Chairman Saman will be contacting Steve Vastola for an update.
- Meeting at the East Church Cemetery, North Cemetery, and South Cemetery:
 - The Commission will be determining the type of maintenance needed for the Norton-Pardee stones and will allocate the funds accordingly.
- Cost to fix the stone fence at South Cemetery.
 - A small portion of the fence was hit by a vehicle and needs repair. Commissioner Laporte had been in contact with Aldi fence but has not received a response. The commission will begin reaching out to several other fencing companies in the area.

5. New Business by Commissioners

- Latest Action on the Sarah Norton Pardee Trust.
 - The Cemetery Commission is in the process of deciding how to allocate the funds for the maintenance of the monuments. There are several stones in Terryville that are included in the

agreement and the Commission will be reaching out to Corporation Council to identify the appropriate way to distribute those funds to Terryville per the agreement.

- Discussions with Christoph Henning on the Lewis Street Cemetery.
 - No update. Christoph is still working on the monument.
- Discussion of the Pepin Steel quote (winter storage)
 - Chairman Saman will be reaching out to Pepin Steel for an update.
- QR Codes on selected cemetery stones.
 - Dawn Nielson of the Economic and Community Development department notified Council Member Barney that the All Heart Website does not have the capacity to store the information needed for the QR codes. The Commission would have to set up a separate website for the database.
- State Grant
- Thomaston Savings Bank Grant
 - Chairman Saman notified the Commission that they receive a \$500 grant from Thomaston Savings Bank. The grant money will be used to repair the fence at North Cemetery. An awards ceremony will be held on July 2, 2021 and Commissioner Arbesman was selected to attend.

6. Any other business proper to come before the Meeting

The Commission decided that at this point it is too late in the year to coordinate a Cemetery Lantern Tour. The Commission will discuss having a 2022 tour at a later date.

7. Adjournment.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner LaPorte to adjourn the meeting at 6:51pm.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner Arbesman.

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mike Saman, Chairman