

Village of Skaneateles

Cemetery Board of Lake View Cemetery

Regular Meeting – January 18, 2023

Present: Rob Gray, Chairman
Roben Shappell, Deputy Chair
Pete Buehler, Commissioner
Mary Marshall, Commissioner
Susan Fox, Commissioner
Kathleen Zapata, Trustee

Guest: Thomas J. Posella Jr., P.E., Village DMO

Chairman Gray called the meeting to order at 9:07 am.

Minutes - On the motion of Comm. Marshall, seconded by Deputy Chair Shappell, the Board approved the minutes from the October 17th meeting, upon the unanimous vote among the members present in favor of the motion, it was carried 5-0.

Transactions –

- Pitarys, Gale – Section 11B, Lots 255 & 256 – 4 graves, monumented
- Carrol, Colin – Section 11B, Lot 607 – 3 graves, monumented
- Schwarting, Fred and Deborah – Section 11B, Lot 428 – 2 graves, monumented
- Brown, Karen – Section 6, Lot 105 1st North – 1 grave, monumented
- Avery, Stephen – Section 11B, Lot 565 – 1 grave, non-monumented

Rules and Regulations Update – DMO Posella went over his suggestions for changes/updates to the existing rules and regulations for the cemetery. The Board also made some corrections/updates. DMO Posella explained the issue that we are having with decorations being picked up and placed at the appropriate times.

Expenditure Report – Trustee Zapata commented on the funds that the cemetery still has funds left in their “Tree Maintenance” line. She suggested coordinating with the Tree Advisory Board to have a discussion on current status of trees in the cemetery. DMO Posella suggested calling an arborist to assess the trees and then having a conversation with the Tree Advisory Board. The Cemetery Board would still have final say in what happens to the trees in the cemetery. DMO Posella also let the Board know that they plan on recycling and reusing the wood chips from the tree trimming/removal in the Village this year, and use them as mulch in the Cemetery. The Board agreed that was a great idea. DMO Posella said that he would reach out to Teresa Link with Onondaga County to get the assessment going.

AMA/Cemetery 360 Update – DCT Christy updated the Board on the current status of the cemetery management software. She is currently working on filling in templates for AMA. DCT Christy shared the video of the Cemetery 360 pictures that were taken of the cemetery. Chairman Gray asked DCT Christy if she could send the link to everyone, so they could look at their leisure.

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Old Business –

- Chairman Gray asked if there were any more updates about the Winkelman Lot. DCT Christy said that no one has reached out.
- Burrows Chapel – DMO Posella said that we may end up trying to package the project with the Seawall project.
- Chairman Gray suggested raising the price of an urn vault to \$200.00.

On the motion of Comm. Marshall, seconded by Comm. Fox, the Board approved to raise the price of purchasing an urn vault from the Village to \$200.00, upon the unanimous vote among the members present in favor of the motion, it was carried 5-0.

Next Meeting – The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 28th, at the Village Hall, DMO Office.

On the motion of Comm. Marshall, seconded by Deputy Chair Shappell, the Board approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:39 am, upon the unanimous vote among the members present in favor of the motion, it was carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cori Christy,
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer