Town of Lebanon Cemetery Commission Special Meeting Monday, January 22, 2024

Meeting called to order at 5:02 P.M. by Chairman Keith LaPorte in Town Hall upstairs conference room. Members present: Dan Moore, Keith LaPorte, Marc Lang, Sean McCarthy, Jim Barrett and Caitlin Jamrock. Also present: First Selectman Kevin Cwikla, Heather Brunelle, and Recording Secretary Jean Reichard. Members absent: Allyn Miller.

Under Public Comments, Heather Brunelle spoke about ecological risks with burials and asked for support for Green Burials. Her report was accepted by the Chairman as Correspondence. She exited the meeting at 5:42 P.M.

Still on the topic of Green Burials, the Chairman mentioned Item #7d. and invited Caitlin to deliver her report on Green Burials. She reported there are 3 types: Hybrid, Natural, and Conservation. Green Burials are legal in every state in the U.S.A. Motion by Jim Barrett, seconded by Marc Lang, to have a Sub-Committee develop proposed guidelines for future Green Burials, passed by unanimous vote. The committee will be Dan Moore, Keith LaPorte and Caitlin Jamrock.

In the absence of the Sexton, there was no Sexton's report.

Jim Barrett gave the Budget Report: \$3800.00 left in Maintenance & Repair. The stone wall is done in North Lebanon Cemetery. Proposed budget will be mostly the same as last year's request with \$100,000 for Road Extension.

Jim Barrett read a letter from the Sexton concerning the safety of North Lebanon Cemetery with only single access. Caitlin has sent a Thank You note to Hunter Sanchez for his Senior Project at Trumbull Cemetery. Dan Moore showed "Before" and "After" pictures of gravestones cleaned with the D2 that Hunter had donated. Dan is working on Recognition for Trumbull Cemetery in the National Historic Registry. Concerning recent damage complaints, the American Legion is making repairs to Veterans grave markers. Scattering area mowing rules and procedures will be discussed at a later date. Kevin and Keith will discuss the mowing contract.

Solicit Back-up Sexton was tabled.

Motion by Jim Barrett, seconded by Dan Moore to accept the minutes of the last 2 meetings (November 21 regular and December 5 Special) passed by unanimous vote.

At 6:30 P.M. without objection, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, J. Reichard, Recording Secretary

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