

Town of Lebanon Cemetery Commission

Regular Meeting September 21, 2021 Fire Safety Complex

Meeting called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Chairman Keith LaPorte. Members present: Tom Meyer, Keith LaPorte, Marc Lang, Dan Moore, Allyn Miller. Also present: Sexton Roy Lawer and J. Reichard, Recording Secretary. Members absent: Shaun McCarthy and James Barrett. Roy Lawer was introduced as the new Sexton. There were no Public Comments.

Sexton's Report: since the last meeting there have been 8 burials: 5 cremations and 3 full burials. One burial fee was waived by the Selectmen. There are 2 cremation burials coming this week and 1 in October. Estimated 8 full plots have been sold in North Lebanon Cemetery. Marcia Schuett will stay on board as Assistant Sexton for a bit, covering for a funeral on Thursday.

Discussion on headstone resetting and restoration: stonedust is best for resetting; Allyn added that sand works well too. Dan is researching a citrus-based cleaner. New Lebanon Cemetery Screening could be deer-resistant arborvitae. Invasive grass is best treated when green, not dormant. The Town Crew members are in the process of becoming certified to spray.

North Lebanon Cemetery work to be done is marked between 2 ribbons, and will leave the Red Oaks. Commission members will try to coordinate their schedules for a Field Trip to study the Synagogue Rd. area, maybe end of October or January, and talk about screening an equipment area. No equipment is needed for a Green Burial. It was noted that a sub-committee to draft policies, fees, rules, fencing, etc. will be tabled until Shaun McCarthy is available and could be the chairman. Section markers had to be replaced and another section will not be opened now. No action taken on General Maintenance issue at all cemeteries or on policy regarding grave diggers. It was noted Cremations need to be dug 12" by 12" square and 20" deep. There was no other business to discuss and there were no communications. Motion by Marc Lang, seconded by Dan Moore to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented, passed by unanimous vote. Motion by Marc Lang, seconded by Dan Moore, to adjourn at 7:23 P.M., passed by unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted, J. Reichard, Recording Secretary