

Town of Lebanon Cemetery Commission

Regular Meeting Tuesday March 21, 2023 6:00 P.M.

Town Hall Upstairs Conference Room

Meeting called to order by Chairman Keith LaPorte at 6:03 P.M. Members present: Keith LaPorte, Jim Barrett, Dan Moore, and Caitlin Jamrock. Marc Lang entered the meeting at 6:05 P.M. Also present: Jean Reichard, Recording Secretary. Members absent: Shaun McCarthy, and Allyn Miller. Also absent: Sexton Carla McElroy.

There were no Public Comments but Chairman Keith LaPorte read a letter from Jessica Stankoski who expressed interest in serving on the Commission. He noted there were no vacancies at present, but she is welcome to attend the meetings. There was no Sexton Report due to the absence of the Sexton.

Old Business: Concerning the restoration of Trumbull Cemetery headstones, Mike Carroll said he has been paid. Jim Barrett went over the Proposed Budget. Under planned activities, Dan Moore will supervise Clean-Up in Trumbull Cemetery on May 7 from 1 to 4 P.M. After discussion about North Lebanon Cemetery, motion by Marc Lang, seconded by Jim Barrett to plant 4 white pine trees because deer don't eat them, ten feet apart at the bottom of the hill to screen the equipment staging area, passed unanimously. Dan Moore will plant the pines. He discussed D-2 (used at Arlington National Cemetery) vs. Wet & Forget for cleaning of headstones. No action on invasive grass control or on berm proposal. Motion by Jim Barrett, seconded by Caitlin to move T.I.P. money from the stonewall project to the native white pine screening, passed unanimously. Under New Business the Hearse House roof repair and Spring Volunteer Day were discussed. It was agreed to not submit any input to the Charter Commission. The Back-up Sexton job description is complete and ready for submission to the Board of Finance and the Selectmen. The 95 black cherry trees in Exeter have been cut down. Three tree work providers were contacted but no responses were received for tree work in Exeter Cemetery. Brief discussion of ongoing maintenance at North Lebanon Cemetery, the lawn contract, and the Board of Selectman minutes of February 7, 2023. The Selectmen acknowledged with regret Tom Meyer's letter of resignation. They appointed Caitlin Jamrock as a member of the Cemetery Commission, with a term to expire February 1, 2026. No other business or communications. Motion by Jim Barrett, seconded by Dan Moore, to accept the minutes of the last meeting as presented, passed unanimously.

At 7:07 P.M., without objection, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, J. Reichard, Recording Secretary

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