

MEETING OF THE RICHMOND CEMETERY COMMITTEE
17 APRIL 2024
6:30PM

Taylor-Van Brocklin Building
Richmond, New Hampshire
03470

Present:

Jerry Merrifield Chairman (JMe)
Jerry Mills Treasurer (JMi)
Robert Gow Sexton (RG)
Rebecca 'Jane' Lescynski Trustee (RL)

Absent: John Lewis Secretary (JL)

Public Attended: none

Call to Order

Second Meeting of 2024
6:36pm

Minutes

Minutes of the November 20th, 2024, meeting taken by JL were read and accepted with corrections.
Motion made and seconded for RL to edit minutes and send to JL.

Treasurer's Report:

JMi reported on RCC Checking Account held at TD Bank. Present RCC balance is \$4,131.51.

JMi presented a receipt for \$31.16 for pressure treated wood for two signs at two cemeteries.
Motion made, seconded, and passed to reimburse JMi for \$31.16.

RG presented a receipt for \$17.00 for gas.
Motion made, seconded, and passed to reimburse RG for \$17.00.

JMi presented a receipt for \$13.16 for a book of stamps.
Motion made, seconded, and passed to reimburse the RCC trustees for \$13.16.

Sexton's Report:

New rakes are needed.

The equipment is up and running. Cleaning of Middletown is scheduled for next week (leaf and branch pickup).

JMi can donate a pole saw/pruner and pruner to RG.

Plastic IBC totes for rainwater collection need to be cleaned.

May need cement blocks to raise the totes up off the ground.

Signs for totes "Water for flowers only" need to be made.

Update on Theo Basset memorial - JMe talked to Keene Monument and Peterborough Granite. Keene Monument waiting on artwork from Sharon Doubleday. Lot is ready to go.

Update on Swanson bench - Bench is temporary. Waiting for when owner wants the final memorial installed.

RG presented a receipt for \$142.00 from Winchester Motorsport for leaf blower/vacuum unit. Motion made, seconded by JMe/JMi, and passed to reimburse RG for \$142.00.

Old Business:

Keene Monument has submitted the application for Joe Thibodeau's military marker and will let us know when it arrives.

Three plastic IBC totes for containing rainwater for watering grass and flowers received from W.S. Badger.

RCC met with Selectmen at April 15th meeting regarding quotes for tree cutting. Selectman approved hiring Mr. Ryan Bornt for the job - local and a good price.

JMe has ordered flags through Winchester. Flags will be placed in May or sooner.

Selectman Bill Daniels offered at April 15th meeting to bring gravel for the South Cemetery road - date TBD.

JMi reported that 50% of cemetery directories are complete and updated. Will replace current directories starting with South cemeteries. Hold on Earl Howard until JMe confirms.

New Business:

JMi contacted Mr. Bornt today to inform him of the approval. He will need a week's heads up if work is planned for a weekend.

JMi offered use of his trailer to help move wood. RG to ask Li Richardson if he's able to help as well. JMi to send JMe a copy of Mr. Bornt's insurance and quote. JMe to bring copies to Susan Harrington.

Stones are tilted in Old South Cemetery - Keene Monument to look at and repair when the Basset monument is installed.

Discussion around renting a tractor or mini excavator for two days for burial at South Cemetery. JMe to check Hamshaw's for daily rental fee, availability, and delivery of mini excavator. RG will check at Winchester Powersports for rental of mini excavator.

JMe to look into getting more loam for Earl Howard cemetery.

Tip from JMi for when putting up a flag - use Gorilla Glue to keep hem from fraying.

JMi to ask Hugh VanBrocklin to borrow post holder.

RCC's new meeting hours of 6:30pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month have been posted at Town Hall and Library and will be posted on the Community Calendar by Susan Harrington.

Next Meeting:

15 May 2024 6:30pm
3rd Wednesday of each Month

Meeting Adjournment:

JMe, JMi, RG, and RL
7:40 pm

