

Town of Somers

Cemetery Committee

Special Meeting Minutes

June 14, 2012

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at approximately 11:00 am by Chairperson Carol Pyne.

2. Attendance

The following members were present and constitute a quorum: E.Sullivan, G.Warner, T.Brewer, I.Percoski and C.Pyne. Guests included: D.McCaffrey, Gravestone Record Researcher

3. Review Prices of Grave Plots

E.Sullivan explained the price listing (attached) – present and proposed prices effective as of July 01, 2012 – a discussion concerning a 7 or 10% increase in price. G.Warner motioned to approve the rates as of July 01, 2012 at 7% noted in Sections I and II – seconded by T.Brewer, unanimously approved.

4. Review Fees Associated with Burials

J.D'Aleo charges 15% for services – paid from separate fund; re: income from investments

5. Recommendation to Cemetery Committee for New Pricing

Discussion by Committee in accord with voted approval of 7% increase in price. Voted/noted in Article 2 of Agenda

Chairperson reported having met with Jonathan Appell (Hamilton Tomb in West Cemetery) – again needs much attention on re-enforcement of inside walls, etc. age of tomb is a task to contend with – needs inside cleaning

D.McCaffrey informed Committee on activity with flags for veterans, for Memorial Day – placed on veterans' graves by Girl Scouts – reported this year flags were half their usual size – should the question of why be pursued.

Also, still working on program 'database' on grave stones – this program entails buried individuals' names and whatever information written on stone – creating record of background if possible – genealogy – information derived will be available to descendants who may be interested in family history.

6. Report Burial in Wrong Grave in New West Cemetery and Resolution

Committee not involved – action to resolve responsibility of Town Treasurer's Office

7. Adjournment

Motion by G.Warner, seconded and unanimously voted to adjourn Special Cemetery Committee Meeting of Jun 14, 2012 at approximately 2:54 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Percoski
Recording Secretary