

Somers Cemetery Meeting
regular meeting minutes
Wednesday, January 8, 2025

1. Call to order: 6:30 PM
2. Members present: Patricia Bachetti, David McCaffrey, Patricia Loftus (chair)
Guests: Todd Rolland, Jeff Buckley, Paul Martinello
3. Public comment: None
4. Vote to approve minutes from the November 2024 meeting:
Motion: Pat Bachetti, 2nd: David McCaffrey. Approved 3/0
5. Committee reports:
 - a. Finance:
 1. Monthly / Quarterly – On file in the Finance office
Morgan Stanley investment report – Not available.
 2. Irrevocable Trust – No report
 3. Landscape Architect: Proposal under New Business
 - b. Sexton – Present, no report.
 - c. Landscaping - John Guzie – Not present.
 - d. Todd Rolland – DPW / Tree warden. Trees and shrubs in New West that were in poor condition, invading the foundations of grave stones or damaging stones have been removed. Thank you DPW!
 - e. (added) Veteran's Affairs Office – Wreaths Across America, December 12, 2024, 200 wreaths placed in Somers Cemeteries. Note Center Cemetery flag pole "beaded collar" holding the lanyard is broken. DPW will look to repair it.
6. Old Business
 - a. Concern forms resolutions (none)
 - b. Digital Data company report: Company has completed local data gathering from Town Hall records. Jeff Buckley indicated that he has information on burials / present ownership of grave sites in EXCEL that he can share with us and Allfunerals. A zoom meeting with the vendor to work through the new site is to be scheduled. No date presently set.

7. New Business:

a. New concern forms: None.

b. Motion to approve using Grever & Ward, Inc. as the landscape architect for the expansion of pinned plots at Center Cemetery's outer ring as noted on the print out. Motion to accept contract (\$8850.00) as sent to the Finance office.

Motion: David McCaffrey, 2nd: Patricia Bachetti. Passed: 3/0

NOTE: 1. Need map of ESTATE PLOT PINS.

2. Sexton Jeff Buckley requested that the lower left corner pin be the # pin.

He also recommends re-bar be used for 3 corners

c. Motion to discuss and approve the change of plot length from 10' to 11' as suggested by Grever & Ward. Motion: David McCaffrey, 2nd: Pat Bachetti
Passed 3/0.

d. Discussion with possible vote on committee suggestions of where new driveways for best access might be placed, access to DPW storage. Concerns about security.

Motion to request pathways within the newly designed area. Motion: David McCaffrey, 2nd: Pat Bachetti. Passed 3/0

e. Adjournment: 7:30

Next meeting: March 12, 2025