



**CEMETERY TRUSTEES**  
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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

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Tuesday, July 26, 2022 – 6:00 p.m. – Town Hall Conference Room

Members Present: Bob Ellwood, Michele Kaulback

Members Absent: Donna Waldron

Also Absent: Paul Hayden – Sexton

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M. Kaulback opened the Cemetery Trustees meeting at 6:00 p.m. A roll call was taken by the Chair; she announced a quorum was present and the meeting was being recorded.

1. Cemetery Upkeep

Bob Krasko, 11 Portsmouth Avenue, stated that he had received a couple of phone calls from people complaining about the cemetery. People cannot access the cemetery because of the roots and the stumps along the fence that had not been removed. He asked the Cemetery Trustees why those had not been cleaned up yet. M. Kaulback responded that B. Ellwood had spent hours on the quotes. There is a Perpetual Care Fund (balance is over \$500,000) and a Cemetery General Fund (balance is over \$150,000). M. Kaulback stated they had attended the Trustees of Trust Funds meeting and reviewed the quotes with them. The Cemetery Trustees were told they could not get the money. Funding through the Cemetery General Fund had to be done by Town vote (a special vote could be done if it is not Town Meeting time), or a warrant article could be done. The Cemetery Trustees were disappointed when they left the meeting with the Trustees of Trust Funds. B. Krasko stated the purpose of the fund was for cemetery repairs. B. Ellwood noted that the Trustees of Trust Funds had a say in expending the funds.

B. Ellwood has spoken to TA Scruton about accessing the funds and was told the Town does not control the funds, they must go through the Trustees of Trust Funds. B. Ellwood stated they needed someone in higher authority to tell them how the funds could be accessed. B. Krasko recommended that M. Kaulback speak to TA Scruton.

M. Kaulback stated that she was told the Perpetual Care Funds could only be used on the sites. B. Ellwood suggested that the Town Attorney be contacted for clarification and how the issue could be resolved.

Quotes were reviewed with B. Krasko. M. Kaulback stated one quote was to remove 96 stumps for \$10,000. The price includes removing the stumps/roots and taking them off site, spreading the loam, raking and hydroseed. M. Kaulback further stated when they received estimates for the road, that included the stumps and roots being removed. B. Ellwood clarified that the quote for \$10,000 included the Bramber Valley and School side of the cemetery. If the roots on the Transfer Station side of the cemetery are removed, the trees would be less stable.

## DRAFT – SUBJECT TO CHANGE

M. Kaulback stated that, according to Dick Rugg, the General Cemetery Fund cannot be used unless it is to purchase land. B. Krasko, responding to a statement from B. Ellwood, stated that TA Scruton would direct the Cemetery Trustees to the Board of Selectmen for authorization to expend funds. M. Kaulback stated that B. Ellwood contacted eight companies that would not give a quote.

B. Ellwood suggested meeting with the Selectmen to review funding for cemetery repairs and to request the Trustees of Trust Funds release funds so the job can get done.

### 2. Other Business

Laura Fox would like to sell back a two-person plot. After her husband passed away, she moved to Massachusetts with her daughter. The Cemetery Trustees will refund her for the plot.

### 3. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: M. Kaulback moved to approve the minutes of Tuesday, May 24, 2022. Second – B. Ellwood; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

### 4. Adjournment

MOTION: B. Ellwood moved to adjourn at 6:17 p.m. Second – M. Kaulback; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

NEXT MEETING
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Tuesday, September 27, 2022 – 6 p.m., Town Hall Conference Room

Submitted By: Charlotte Hussey, Administrative Assistant