Location: Dunbarton Town Office

Trustees Present
Don Larsen, Chairman
Justin Nault
Judy Stone, Secretary

Member of Public
Steve Racine – Cornerstone Cemetery Services

Meeting Opening
Called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Minutes
The minutes of the September 3, 2019 were accepted as read.

Pages Cemetery:
On September 10, Keith Racine of Cornerstone Cemetery Services, met with Judy Stone, Judy Keefe & Don Larsen to go over the layout of the map of the cremains section. He suggested changes to make it more understandable & said that he would pass along the suggestions to his brother, Steve, who drew up the map. While there he noticed that Jane Grant’s marker was the wrong way around and changed it. He also explained the importance of the discs in the Mills section, and showed us how to pull up the corners discs to the surface, and wrap orange tape around the stake, in order to show the outline of a lot. This will make it more understandable to the purchaser of a lot.

Cornerstone Cemetery Services
Steve Racine met with the trustees to discuss the cremains section of Pages Cemetery. We went over the map and after listening to our concerns, he suggested how he can re-draw the map. One idea is to have a map for each section, and add letters & numbers to each lot.
We also discussed corner markers in the Mills section of the cemetery. When cornerstones were installed in the Dearborn lot, the disc markers were removed, and we felt that this was not a good idea. He agreed and will send an instruction page to Perry Brothers Monuments showing the way to install corner markers without removing the discs. He suggested that we use cornerstones, if it is the will of the purchaser.
Steve informed us that he will not be charging for this service. He said that it is part of the original contract.

Discussion
After Steve left the meeting, the trustees discussed the use of cornerstones. We had previously felt that cornerstones would be a good idea and sold three more lots, charging for the stones. Being unsure of just what to do considering that the disc markers would be pulled up, we changed our minds and decided to refund the money. The markers are the true measurements for the lots. From now on we will ask if the purchaser would like cornerstones, now that we know how to have them installed.
Cornerstone Refunds:
Justin made a motion, seconded by Don, passed by all, to refund money paid for cornerstones to: John Brown - $300.00 – Duane Coventry - $300.00 & Jan Vanderbliek - $250.00. The reason for the lower price on Vanderbliek is that Perry Brothers gave us a new price.

Pages Cemetery
Don reported that the road in the Mills section is almost complete.

Weed Control
Don reported that ASAP is willing to work for an hour clearing the weeds without cost, because it took so long to get back to us. If it takes more than an hour there will be a charge.
Motion: Don made a motion to allow up to $500.00 for weed control at Pages Corner cemetery, seconded by Judy Stone, passed by all.

Cemetery Signs
The new cemetery signs are in, and being kept at Don’s.

Center Cemetery
Don received a bid for $8,200.00 from J&J Landscaping to make paths in the cremains section.
Motion: Don made a motion to accept the bid from J&J Landscaping for $8,200.00, seconded by Justin, passed by all.

Motion
Don made a motion that we create separate paperwork for each cemetery, Center cemetery & Pages Corner, and a sale packet accordingly. Seconded by Justin, passed by all.

Burial
On September 18, 2019, Steve Brenan contacted the trustees by email stating that he would like to have his father’s cremains buried in the cremains section of the Center cemetery where his mother is buried. Judy wrote back to him, informing him that he needs to go through the funeral home, and that Dignified Cemetery Services will do the burial at their convenience. A flag was put by his mother’s grave.

Burial
Judy received a call from a town resident requesting permission to personally dig a grave for his mother’s cremains at Pages cemetery, as he had done the same for his father many years ago. He was informed that it is against our regulations for any member of the public to dig a grave. He was referred to Mark Hubbard at Dignified Cemetery Services.

NH Cemetery Association
Judy Stone and Don Larsen will attend the NHCA fall meeting in Manchester on October 9, 2019.

Next Meeting:
The next meeting will be held on November 5, 2019.

Adjournment:
Justin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Judith Stone, Secretary