

Waterbury Cemetery Commission

September 1, 2015 meeting minutes

4 pm – Steele Block

Present: John Woodruff, Ed Brown, Betty Jones, Barbara Walton, Jack Carter

Minutes of August 4th meeting were approved.

Reviewed financial reports. Question regarding amount ground maintenance line item being high. It was noted that was the purchase of new trees for Maple Street and Hope that will be reimbursed 50% through a State Forestry grant. Evergreen Gardens is aware of the four dead trees in Hope and will replace them in spring 2016. Maple and Oak trees in Maple Street are doing well.

Maple Street Cemetery. Everything looks good and summer help has kept mowing and trimming done well.

Hope Cemetery. At 4:30 we adjourned to the cemetery to look at the stone cleaning and access other work. Betty did not join the rest. The cleaning has given section B a new look and everyone impressed with the results. The Spencer Mausoleum looks fantastic. John will try to find the key so we can inspect the interior. Karen Steele will donate funds now that the work has been done. We looked at the fountain and discussed possible replacement. The water line for the old fountain has been located but not sure if it will work with a new fountain. John will pursue donations for the new fountain.

John has spoken with Mr. Calcagni about repair of damaged stones. Mr. Calcagni suggested that we take an inventory of stones that need repair or foundation work and adjustments before he can give a quote for cost of the work. John will speak with Chad about starting the inventory of damaged stones. Jack suggested that some commissioners could help with that process.

Potter will do some tree work in the next month. Public Works/Highway Department will remove the fence at the entrance and replace it with boulders. This is also scheduled to be done in the next month.

Transfer of the cemetery to the Town is still a slow work in progress. John has not been able to meet with Sam Parks but will hopefully soon. Sam has historic knowledge of the cemetery that will hopefully help move the transfer along.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm

Next meeting – October 6th – 4 pm – Steele Block conference room

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Carter