

## Waterbury Cemetery Commission

October 2, 2018 meeting

Steele Community Room – 4 PM

Present: John Woodruff, Jan Gendreau, Barbara Walton, Betty Jones, Jack Carter

- Minutes of September 4<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved\
- Financials were reviewed.
- Hope Cemetery. Jack met with John Woodson (Woody) on Sunday, September 30 and discussed the progress of stone repair. He is continuing to work on Section A. He estimates he has straightened 50 tablets, repaired 8 and straightened 8 large stones. He hopes to have one more day in October and will submit an invoice at the end of the season.

Jack started to clear overgrown grasses, etc. along the fence at the front entrance. Barb volunteered to help clear the remaining overgrowth along the rest of the fence on Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>.

Matt Fitzgerald has done more cleaning of stones in Section C.

Discussion of what to do with the uncovered fountain base in Section C. Jack has an idea of making it a quiet space with perhaps a public art piece, ground cover and benches. This is a work in progress. It was decided to fill in the basin with soil, leaving the ring edge exposed. John will arrange for that to happen. This would be a good place for public art as the cemetery is used by many pedestrians, all agreed.

Georgia Ayers has asked to have a walk through of the cemetery on October 13<sup>th</sup>. She is planning a dinner at her house on Elm and Randall Street and the walk would be before the dinner.

John proposed that we waive fees for the burial of cremains of Steven Katz who was a 30 year resident of Kirby House. All agreed to waive fees for a single lot and purchase a stone with his name and dates. John will arrange.

- Old Center Cemetery. Jack presented the final proof of artwork for the informational sign for the cemetery. The sign will be 24”x36” and located at the side entrance parking lot of the cemetery. He is working with Steve Lotspeich to find the sign holder and hopes to have that purchased and installed soon.

- **Maple Street Cemetery.** Road work has begun. Woody has done some stone work there. John addressed Betty's question from the last meeting about documenting cremains location and the placement of tents for services. He is aware of the issue and will take note. He marks the spot where tents can be erected.
- **Other business.** Betty mentioned that the government will issue service medallions for veterans' grave stones.
- Meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack Carter