Waterbury Cemetery Commission

April 2, 2019 meeting

Steele Community Room – 4 PM

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

- Minutes of February 5, 2019 meeting were approved
- Maple Street Cemetery Jack presented a concept for an informational sign that he is working on with Laura Parette. It will go on the wall of the shed that will be moved from Old Center Cemetery. It will replace the billboard that will be removed. It will be produced in the same style as the one at Old Center Cemetery but without a base. He received a quote of \$816.59 delivered. Laura Parette's charge will be separate. Members liked the concept and Jack will continue to define it. The question came up about rules and regulations that will be part of the sign. Jack would like the rule about no dogs allowed to be rewritten to read Dogs maybe allowed in the cemeteries only on a leash and under control at all times and that the owner must pick up after the dog. Dogs are not allowed in the cemeteries during funeral or memorial services unless approved by the Commissioners. Members agreed to change the bylaws to reflect the wording change.
- **Hope Cemetery** Jack has asked that two flowering crab trees on the corner of Main Street and Stowe Street, that are scheduled to be cut down during Main Street reconstruction, be moved to the cemetery. He has asked Public Works and it will be done by the Town.

Woody is scheduled to start to work again to restore/repair stones in June. Jack and Barb will mark stones that need work.

It was suggested that trash and recycle cans be place in the cemetery.

Jan has spoken with Whitney Aldrich, owner of Axel's Gallery about perhaps thinking about public art in the cemetery.

Flag poles in general were discussed for all cemeteries. John will speak with the Legion to see if they would help. Maple Street and Hope flagpoles are in need of repair or replacement. Old Center does not have a flagpole but could use one.

• Old Center Cemetery – Jack has spoken with Peter James, painter, about painting the chain link fence poles and rails. Jane Evans, a guest at the February 5th meeting expressed concerns about the look of the fence. Peter said it would not be an easy job due to the galvanized steel, traffic and condition of the fence. It would be very costly if done at all. Round Hill Fence employee also said it was not practical to paint the fence. The Commissioners agreed not to pursue painting.

Jane Brown from the Garden Club would like to work on a plan to do more plantings along the side entrance fence.

- May 7th meeting It was agreed that we would meet at Maple Street Cemetery at 4 PM to do a walkabout.
- Meeting adjourned at 5:30.

Respectfully submitted, Jack Carter