

The Cemetery Commission for the Town of Plainfield met on Wednesday April 19, 2017 at 5:35 pm at the Plainfield Fire Station

Commissioners Present: Greg Light, David Spence, and Ed Hutchinson.

Also present were Joseph Mangan, Sexton, and Paula Ackel (who may wish to be appointed as a commissioner).

The Minutes of the January 18th meeting were approved as presented.

Old Business:

The tree(s) at the Center Cemetery.

Ed reported the activities of Nicko Rubin's assessment and recommendations, and the work estimate submitted by Sylvan Tree Care.

The work was approved for the amount of the estimate (with a reduction for the removal of the felled tree, with a small margin for unexpected issues if needed, not to exceed \$2,300).

We approved an additional \$200 that Steve Farnham proposed for removing the felled tree material from his property, for a net savings of \$550.

The Truck

Greg will consider the options for disposing of the truck (and dump body either together or separately). Joe will have a couple more keys to the building made and leave them at the town Clerk office so David and Greg will have copies (I have one somewhere). I also have the ignition key if/when that is needed. We will plan to meet to approve and whatever plan Greg comes up with.

New Business:

Joe had a request for a "non-conforming monument" to be centered on the intersection of two lots that would be purchased (Hamel lot). It is a bench serving as a vault for four places for cremains. The design is attractive. It will be placed along a hedge (so it will not block any views of other lots, or overly complicate mowing). We approved the monument.

A lot owner (Goodall) wishes to change the name on the title of one of two lots to a family member. I (Ed) had spoken to the owner by phone and was not too helpful, I confess. We as a group did not know exactly what the procedure should be. It is probably good advise for the owner to consult with an attorney, especially if the deed has been "recorded" in East Montpelier. Joe said that most people don't record their deeds but keep them at home. Joe will speak to the owner.

The "Pig Bench" at the Bartlett Cemetery was not placed so that it rests on the foundation provided. The weight of the bench should be supported by the "pigs" but they overhang. Joe will bring this to the attention of the company that placed the monument and see that it is placed securely.

There are several monuments that need "straightening" particularly at the Cemetery on Lower Road.

There are bags of fertilizer in the garage that should be used, Joe has permission to use the Spreader in the shed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15