

Minutes of
Bainbridge Township Cemetery Board
January 2, 2013

Present: Ted Seliga; Rob Arnold; Jeff Markley, Trustee; Greg Marous, Road Department; Jim Stanek, Service Director and Linda Zimmerman, Secretary

Mr. Marous, Acting Chairman called the regular meeting to order at 3:35 P.M. at the Town Hall.

MINUTES

The minutes of the December 5, 2012 meeting were approved as written.

NEW BUSINESS

Unclaimed Body Burial

Mr. Marous reported that the unclaimed body was buried December 24, 2012.

The board discussed seeking reimbursement for the burial of the unclaimed body which would include the cost of the grave, cremation, burial, headstone, mileage and any other related expenses.

Mr. Seliga made a motion to recommend seeking reimbursement for all related expenses regarding the burial of the unclaimed body per the recommendation of legal counsel.

Mr. Marous seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Widman Burial

The board discussed seeking the cost for the Widman burial. Mr. Markley will follow up with legal counsel.

Policies, Rules & Regulations

The board discussed the rules for Indigent and Unclaimed Body burials and was in agreement to include them in the Policies, Rules & Regulations for Graves instead of keeping them separate.

OLD BUSINESS

Tent Rentals

Mr. Marous reported that funeral homes are starting to rent the tent for full burials but it is only suitable for cremation burials. The board discussed the use of the tent.

The board was in agreement to recommend amending the Cemetery Fee Schedule for 2013 to clarify that the tent rental option is for cremation burials only. The change is recommended as follows:

Change: Tent Rental Fee to *Cremation Tent Rental Fee (12 x 12)*

There are no recommended changes to the fees.

Cemetery Management Software

There are no updates on the new software at this time.

Dirt Storage Building

The board noted that the proposed dirt storage building is still pending.

Green Burials

The board was in agreement to continue the discussion on green burials at the next meeting.

Drainage System and Waterlines in Restland Cemetery

Mr. Markley reported that this was discussed at a trustee meeting but no action was taken.

Mr. Marous explained the location of the waterlines in the new section and that some graves were lost and added that the waterline relocation will be done in-house.

Green Burials

Mr. Marous noted that there is nothing to report at this time.

OTHER BUSINESS

Pet Burials

Mr. Markley suggested that a Pet Cemetery may be more suitable at Centerville Mills Park. The board discussed proposed costs and locations for a Pet Cemetery in Bainbridge Township and noted that pet cemeteries are on the rise but are mostly private.

Snow Removal at the Cemeteries

The board discussed snow removal at the cemeteries and materials and equipment used.

ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION

Chairman

Mr. Marous made a motion to nominate Mr. Bill Takacs as Chairman of the Cemetery Board for 2013.

Mr. Seliga seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Since there was no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:46 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda L. Zimmerman
Secretary to Cemetery Board