

Minutes of  
Bainbridge Township Cemetery Board  
December 2, 2009

Present: Jeff Markley, Township Trustee; Bill Takacs; Rob Arnold; Greg Marous, Road Department and Linda Zimmerman, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 3:40 P.M. at the Town Hall.

Secretary's Note: The November 4, 2009 meeting was cancelled.

OLD BUSINESS

Cemetery Expansion Area

Mr. Markley reviewed the updated map indicating which graves can be sold for full burials, ashes and the graves that should have flush markers only because of the location of the waterlines, storm sewers and distance to the road.

Mr. Marous reported that he received the drawings from the engineer regarding the location of the waterline. Mr. Arnold suggested re-routing part of the waterline to save some graves.

The board discussed a tree planting plan and proposed columbarium locations. Also discussed were the types of trees that would be best and the possibility of obtaining donated trees. They talked about planting colorful perennials along the fence and around the retention basin such as daffodils that will not consume grave space. Mr. Markley asked the board members to take a drive through the cemetery to get some general ideas and photos of the areas that would be good for planting before the next meeting.

Restland Cemetery - Wrought Iron Fence

Mr. Marous reported that the wrought iron fence in the front of the cemetery is starting to rust and flake. He will contact the installer, The Village Blacksmith, regarding warranty information.

Re-Zoning of Restland Cemetery Expansion Area

The board discussed the proposed area to be re-zoned back to residential from Passive Public Park District and other zoning possibilities. Mr. Markley will follow-up on this.

### New Chain Link Fence at Restland Cemetery

Mr. Marous reported on the new vinyl chain link fence installation at Restland Cemetery by Great Lakes Fence.

### Beehive Grates in Cemetery Expansion

Mr. Marous said the grates to replace the beehive grates in the winter were not ordered because of the cost so he put extra driveway markers around them instead.

### Request for Civil War Veterans Marker at Fowler Cemetery

Mr. Marous reported that the marker has not come in yet and he re-did the paperwork and sent it back in but has not heard anything.

### Headstones at Restland Cemetery

Mr. Marous said he talked with Sheffields about headstone repair and will have them come in and give a price on doing some work. He said it can be done as fill-in work for them which will be cheaper than if it is all done right now and noted that in the old section some of the footers are just stones so Sheffields could take the headstone apart which would allow the township to replace the footer with concrete.

### MINUTES

Mr. Markley made a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated October 7, 2009 as written.

Mr. Takacs seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### Sale of Graves

The board discussed the sale of graves to residents for non-residents and was in agreement to uphold the rules and regulations and not permit residents to purchase graves for non-residents.

### Late Burials

Mr. Marous reported that some funeral homes have been requesting burials at 3:30 P.M. and 4:00 P.M. but as the winter weather sets in it gets colder and darker that time of year so he would like the board to consider amending the rules and regulations to not allow burials after 2:00 P.M. starting November 1<sup>st</sup> through April 15th.

### Sign for Restland Cemetery

The board discussed installing a larger sign for Restland Cemetery at the entrance to the church because it is starting to separate and peel and the easement agreement the township has with the church. Also discussed was the fact that the cemetery does not have an actual address.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held January 6, 2010 at 3:30 P.M.

Since there was no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:24 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda L. Zimmerman  
Secretary to Cemetery Board