

Town of Bridgewater
Cemetery Commission Meeting
Minutes of July 25 2018

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Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm.

Present: Roy (Butch) Wardwell & Paul Hutt (Jim Bulmer not in attendance due to scheduling conflict)
Nancy Robinson, Clerk

Visitors: None

Butch moved to accept the minutes of May 17, 2018 as written. Paul seconded the motion and motion carried.

Discussion of cemetery bylaws and need to review and update. Have copies of bylaws from Prosper Cemetery Assoc., Town of Pomfret and Town of Reading. Members will review all of these bylaws and make notes of edits, revisions and changes to the Bridgewater bylaw for re-drafting. Items to consider changing include full burial and creation burial lots, headstone alignment, corners stones and maintenance and upkeep.

Discussion of cemetery lot prices. Bridgewater pricing for single lot is \$350.00. Most area towns charge more than this price. Current prices are not covering costs to maintain cemetery stones or ground maintenance. Town appropriation covers only mowing, trimming and basic cleanup.

Butch reported that he had a phone call from a lot owner/family that was concerned about damages to corner stones. Stones are several inches above ground and appear to have been "nicked". These stones are an older version and have old style script lettering. Butch will contact the lot owner to offer to either replace (town expense) the stones with new ones with new style lettering or to keep the old style script lettering stone and the cemetery commissioners will re-set at ground level.

Next meeting scheduled for August 22, 2018 at 4:00 pm at the town office.

Being no further business, Jim moved to adjourn meeting at 4:53 pm. Paul seconded the motion and motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Robinson

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Clerk