

MINUTES
PROVINCETOWN CEMETERY COMMISSION
AUGUST 4, 2016

Present: Richard Olson, (Chairman), Kurt Reynolds, Jack Kiefer.

Absent: Susan Avellar , Jim Cox and Ruth Anne Cowing.

The meeting convened at 4:00pm.

1. Minutes: The minutes from the July 7, meeting were approved as presented.
2. Cemetery Plot Sales: The sales of three single lots were approved.
3. Winthrop Street Cemetery Restoration, Phases 3,4 and 5: Reported that the Invitation for Bids has been completed by Michelle Jarusiewicz, and it has now received the Town Manager's approval to send out.
4. Gifford and Hamilton Cemeteries: The Chairman will continue to urge the Grant Administrator to expedite the Invitation for Bids.
5. Alden Street Old Section: Will come next.
6. Alden Street New Section: No current issues.
7. Cemetery Finances: No current report. Doug Johnstone has observed that the Mini-Fi Director has departed for his new posting and he has alerted the temporary replacement as to what we need.
8. Brochure: The Chairman thanked Kurt Reynolds for his work pinpointing grave sites at the Winthrop Street and St. Peter's Cemeteries, and reported that Amy Whorf McGuigan has embarked on a new research project

involving townsmen who served in the American Revolution.
(Subsequently, our printer reports that mock-ups of the brochure will be furnished in the coming week.

9. Funeral Home Request: Postponed in the absence of Jim Cox.

10. Relocation of Small Family Memorial: Cemetery Superintendent, Tony Lemme, has reported that the monument can conveniently be relocated to a spot beside the entrance of the family tomb mound, and it was voted so to direct.

11. Winthrop Street Fencing Repair: The Chairman reported that Tony Lemme was expecting Cape Cod Stone to install the three granite posts this very day.

12. Repossessing Grave Stone Fragments: Postponed in the absence of Susan Avellar.

13. Other Business: The Chairman reported that Tony Lemme would happily resume attending our meetings and would have been at this one but for item 12.

Tony also reported that DPW will fill in the subsidence at Alden Street Old Section in the fall with the coming of cooler weather and that there appears to be no need for warning signage.

A request has been received from Paul Bryden that we approve a headstone for himself and his late partner, which would vary somewhat from the dimension standards in our regulations. A copy of the request is included with these minutes. This is a single grave lot, for which the regs, provide “Monuments allowed 2 ½ ft. wide x 3ft. high”, but Article 8 gives the Commission discretion to allow these maximums to be exceeded. It was decided to postpone a decision to our September meeting.

14. Next Meeting: To be held on Thursday Sept 1, 2016 at 4:00pm at Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard B. Olson,
Chairman and Secretary pro tem.