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MINUTES OF Meeting of Cemetery Commissioners

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Meeting posted: X yes,    no

Date: November 12, 1991 Time: 7:30p.m. Place: Cemetery Office, Woodlawn Cemetery

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Members present: W. Mowry, C. Putnam, E. Bailey, W. George  
also present: S. Kennedy, N. Howell

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1. S. Kennedy introduced Walter George, who has been appointed Associate Commissioner.
2. Minutes of September 10 and October 7 meetings were unanimously accepted as presented.
3. S. Kennedy noted that Friday, November 1 was Skip Jenks' last day of work.
4. Section 9 - Mount Hope Cemetery  
We screened the loam pile and spotted the loam around the section, which has been graded, limed, seeded and rolled, as have the area across the road and an area of Section 6.
5. Mount Hope Cemetery  
On the morning of November 8, it was discovered that sometime Thursday night or early Friday morning, an unidentified motor vehicle knocked the Samuel Toombs marble monument off of its base, causing damage to both the base and the die.  
  
The cemetery crew reset the die. The water has been turned off for the winter, so we can't clean the monument until spring.  
  
The commissioners have asked that S. Kennedy check with a monument company to see what could be done, and the cost, to repair the worst of the damage.
6. Mount Hope Cemetery  
Soucy Iron of Lowell was the firm that constructed and installed the gates. Mr. Soucy came over to assess the damage. He has given us an estimate of \$1,685.00 to replace the badly damaged gate. The post only suffered some scratching and will need to be painted. The upper hinge needs repair work.  
  
It was the unanimous decision of the Commissioners that S. Kennedy file a claim with the AMICA insurance company for a new gate.
7. Veteran's Day  
The flag retirement ceremony was held at Woodlawn Cemetery this year. S. Kennedy can "suddenly" attest to the fact that it rained.
8. Woodlawn Cemetery  
There was a discussion about the granite bench on the "Johnson" lot. The commissioners agreed that if Mrs. Ledgard decided to leave the bench on the lot, we could plant some shrubs to enhance it as a small feature in that section.

**9. Section 9, Woodlawn Cemetery**

There is a 2" water pipe beneath lots 207, 208, 209, 210 and the adjacent shrub beds. It was suggested that we alter the plan of the section by planting a row of hedges, thus eliminating these four lots. By doing so, three-grave lot 199 and two-grave lots 202,203,206,213,214 and 217 become monumented lots.

The motion to alter the plan as described above passed with 2 votes, W. Mowry abstained.

**10. D. Charter asked Stewart to see if the Commissioners would consider budgeting money from trust funds to help replace the dump truck.**

Discussion included the problems with the present dump truck, justification for using trust fund money, portion to come from funds and method of purchase.

In answer to Dean's request, "yes, the Commissioners will consider budgeting money from the New Perpetual Care Fund to pay 1/2 of the lease purchase price over a 3-4 year period, of a truck that will meet our demands."

**11. C. Putnam needs the FY91 end-of-year report for Cemetery Trust Funds.****12. Mount Hope Cemetery**

Entrance to woods where chain was - - The chains are still attached to the trees and need to be removed. What about a steel gate?

D. Howe is planning to remove the logs.

The unsightly pile of stumps will be removed when the ground freezes.

**13. We have created new leaf-pile areas at both cemeteries. The stumps that were cleared for this will be left above-ground to rot.****14. C. Putnam will be out-of-town November 21 to December 10 and December 19 to December 28.****15. Next meeting will be Wednesday, December 11 - - notify Town Clerk.****16. Meeting adjourned at 9:05.**