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Truro Cemetery Commission
Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2022
Truro Town Hall

Present: Bob Masson, *Cemetery Commission (Treasurer & Recordkeeping)*
Holly Ballard-Gardner, *Cemetery Commission (Chairwoman & Secretary)*
John Dundas, *Select Board Liason*
Robert Gallerani, *Visitor*

Called to order at: 8:57 am

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the July 20, 2022 meeting were reviewed. Ms. Gardner seconded. All in favor. The July 20 minutes were accepted and placed into the record. (One copy to Cemetery Commission file, one to Noelle Scoullar.)

Activity Report

Mr. Masson presented the Activity Report. Ms. Gardner motioned to accept the Activity Report. Mr. Masson seconded. All in favor, accepted, placed in the statistics record.

New Business

Mr. Masson said Doug Cox of Landscape Unlimited increased his prices slightly. Due to less mowing being needed this summer, Mr. Masson suggested the landscape crew clean stones at Old North. Ms. Gardner agreed to call Mr. Cox to give him direction on landscape maintenance tasks instead of stone cleaning, which the commission agrees should either not be done, or done by professionals according to the guidance from the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Mr. Masson reminded the commission of how the mowing expense is allocated. The commission contracts for mowing of all cemeteries and Congregational and Sacred Heart reimburse us for their pro-rata share.

A lot was sold to Coelho at Old North.

Record keeping edits were made to correct Cobb and Vickery, and to correct Morris as being an Army veteran of the Korean War.

Ms. Gardner reported on the plan for the Sept 17 Lecture and Tour. Mr. Dundas suggested Ms. Gardner be put on the Select Board agenda for Sept 13 to announce the Tour plans.

Mr. Masson confirmed that a quorum for the commission is constituted by two of the three members. New member Frank Grande was due to meet the commission on Aug 17 but cancelled and rescheduled for Aug 23. He has yet to attend a meeting.

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Ms. Gardner reported that she cleaned graffiti from the inside walls and repaired the wooden door and added a padlock to the Pine Grove mausoleum.

Ms. Gardner received a call and email from a resident regarding two dead cedars at Old North, citing concerns about disease and safety. Upon inspection, the two dead trees are not inside the cemetery but on the verge of Rt 6 on town property. Ms. Gardner will contact DPW to ask them to remove the trees.

Adjournment

Ms. Gardner motioned for adjournment. Mr. Masson seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:21am.

Respectfully submitted,


Holly Ballard-Gardner, *Secretary*
Bob Masson, *Treasurer*

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