

DOVER CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2007

Meeting opened at 6:45 pm.

Attendance – Bill Herd, Chairman, Jon Wolff, and Carol Jackman

MINUTES of the July 31, 2007 were approved with a question about the bill for the Putnam Pipe Corp and Bill still needs to look into the funding of this payment.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: George Lovell was in attendance and spoke further on in the meeting about the bushes behind the Hearse House.

**NEW BUSINESS –**

A bid was received from Davey Tree to remove two dead Maple Trees. It was SO VOTED to pay \$1,080 for this project and to pay for this from the operating budget.

Rusty reported that the Springdale Garden Club would no longer be involved with the upkeep of the resting area they had designed in the side section of the cemetery. It seems that club has disbanded.

The quote for the fall season was TABLED until the next meeting.

A former resident that had lived here for the required five plus years requested to purchase a lot in Dover. It was SO VOTED.

A discussion was then held regarding putting Highland Cemetery in the Registry of Historic Cemeteries in MA. It was SO VOTED.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Discussions then centered on the removal of the shrubs behind the Hearse House. It was a pleasure to have George Lovell in attendance to give his guidance and suggestions for the project. He basically stated that if the shrubs are removed it would be best to put in grass on the hill. He also reminded the commissioners that the shrubs hold the hill back and that if they are removed you need to be very careful that you do not disturb the graves of the unknown soldiers that are buried on the hill. He did state that if the committee were to trim the shrubs properly it would take a couple of years to have them look nice again. He did offer to work on the trimming if we decided to go that route.

A report from Rusty was then read as to the dates he would be off for a personal day and a vacation day. He also reminded us of the MA Cemetery Association meeting to be held on September 19, 2007.

Meeting closed at 8:00 pm. Next meeting will be October 24, 2007 at 7:00 pm.