Mount Vernon Cemetery Board Of Trustees West Boylston Town Hall 140 Worcester Street West Boylston, MA 01583

Meeting Minutes August 12, 2020

Attending: Chairman Jack McCormick, Peter Rotando, Ron Menard, Cemetery Foreman Kevin McKee

- 1. "Zoom" teleconference meeting opened by Chm. Jack McCormick at 10:00AM.
- 2. July 22, 2020 meeting minutes were read and unanimously approved by the Board.
- 3. Jack will attend tonight's BOS meeting to launch a name search for the new cemetery. Town residents are encouraged to submit their suggestions with an explanation of why they chose those possible names. Pete suggested the name "Briarwood Cemetery", an excellent suggestion. Jack wants the name search to end on October 1, 2020.
- 4. A major water leak was discovered near the Veterans' Memorial Stone, and it will be repaired shortly.
- The storm damage has been cleaned up by Mercurio Landscaping.
- 6. The Light Department has expressed interest in sharing the cost of a new backhoe attachment, so that they can use it for occasional trench digging. Total cost is about \$10,000., or \$5,000. for each department.
- 7. The underground wire feeding the Holbrook Chapel needs replacement quickly, because the Chapel alarm system is inoperable without electricity. Kevin has received a quote of \$7,700. and he's waiting for two other quotes. A motion was made by Ron M. to go ahead with the first quote if the other quotes aren't forthcoming soon, seconded by Peter R. Unanimously approved.
- 8. The Board originally approved \$1100. for a weed killing application. Nutsedge is an invasive grass that requires a special application to eradicate it. This additional cost is \$860.95, for a total of \$1,960.95 for weed control. After discussion, the Board unanimously approved this additional expense.
- 9. Jack instructed Kevin to pay for weed control out of the revolving account, and for the Chapel electrical work out of the P.C. interest account.
- 10. According to Kevin M., Lance is supposed to get a cortisone shot on 8/14, and he'll probably need therapy the following week.
- 11. After discussion, the Board unanimously agreed to allow Kevin 5 hours of overtime for this week and 5 hours of overtime for next week in order to get caught up with cemetery maintenance.
- Jack suggested that Kevin contact the DPW to arrange for training of one of their employees to fill in for him should he be on vacation.
- 13. The next meeting is scheduled for September 16, 2020 at 10:00AM.
- 14. Ron M. made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:40AM. Seconded by Peter R. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ron Menael approved 9/16/2020

Ron Menard, Clerk