

Waterbury Cemetery Commission Minutes for March 1, 2023
Steele Room, Municipal Center 4 pm

Present: Jan Gendreau, Amy Kinsell, Tom Leitz, and Jill Chase
Guest: Patrick Toporowski of Vermont Stone and Horticulture

The February minutes were approved.

Financial Report

Tom reported that funds have recovered \$15,000 as the market improves and the commission is in good shape.

Sexton

Tom also reported on the sexton search. Bill Woodruff has been working on people to do cemetery work, perhaps on a contractor basis rather than someone employed by the town. They hope to have this finalized by our April meeting. Pat Toporowski suggested someone he knows who might be interested, so Tom will see that he's contacted.

Maple St. stonework/signage

Pat presented his design for the Maple Street Cemetery entry stonework. It includes a 3' x 20' wall with a double-faced granite sign that can be read from either direction with the cemetery name. It will be very well anchored and solid, so should be maintenance free. Plantings would be shrubbery so that care would only entail future pruning and some edging around the beds. He estimates the cost would be \$30,000 for all of the materials, labor and plantings. He'll be sending each of us a copy of the design proposal via email. The cost of the design itself is \$2,000. Work could begin as early as this spring, though if we make adjustments, the work could be easily done in summer or autumn.

Old Waterbury Center Cemetery

Jan is trying to get info and pictures from Jeff Pignona at Vermont Monuments of his repairs to the stones broken in the car accident. She'd like to discuss the end results and see if we could improve on them. He didn't really do what he promised for the repairs. He said would get pictures to us the following week. She wonders if the bill been paid to Jeff.

Next meeting will be on April 5th, 2023 in the Steele Room at 4 p.m.

Submitted respectfully March 5th, 2023
Jill Chase, substitute scribe