

BARRE TOWN CEMETERY COMMISSION  
MINUTES FOR JULY 28, 2021 MEETING  
6:30 P.M., BARRE TOWN MUNICIPAL OFFICE

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CALL TO ORDER

Call to order at the town offices at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commission members: Alan Garceau, Angela Labrador, Robert Benoit, and Dwight Harrington were present; and town manager Carl Rogers also attended the meeting. Commission member Clement Vaillancourt and sexton Dwight Coffrin were absent.

AGENDA CHANGES - ADDITIONS

Details: Ms. Labrador requested a discussion concerning the Gould Cemetery under old business, and Mr. Rogers asked to add the fall bulk trash day to the agenda.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Garceau made a motion, seconded by Mr. Benoit, to approve the agenda as written and include the additional items. With no further discussion, the motion carried on a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Garceau made a motion, seconded by Mr. Benoit, to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2021 meeting as written. With no further discussion, the motion carried on a voice vote.

QUARTERLY BUDGET REPORT

None this meeting. Mr. Rogers expects to have a report for the August meeting.

RECEIVE GUESTS

None this meeting.

SEXTON REPORT

Mr. Coffrin submitted his monthly report concerning cemetery operations for the month of July. He said the crew had been mowing and trimming weekly. As the local drought seems to be over, vegetation growth is back to normal and he will also be able to finish the application of fertilizer at Wilson Cemetery. There have been three interments of cremains, five foundations installed, and two lots sold. The trimming of hedges will begin soon but the crew will need to have a new hedge trimmer. Local vendors do not have them in stock nor expect them soon, but Mr. Coffrin has located a source in Littleton, NH. He expects the hedge planting in the new section to begin in September. Flag pole lights will be ordered in August. Mr. Coffrin has also requested a thank you note for Mrs. Klinefelter who has been taking care of the planting and maintenance of the flower bed at West Hill Cemetery.

Ms. Labrador wanted to know the status of the replacement plantings at the columbaria park at Wilson and asked that a question be passed on to Mr. Coffrin.

APPROVAL OF DEEDS AND MONUMENTS

A. Deeds:

- Ora Gibbs, Wilson Cemetery, East Section, Lot 165ea, 5 x 10.

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- B. Niche reservation:
  - None this meeting.
  
- C. Monuments:
  - Deborah A. Jewett, Wilson Cemetery, East Section, Lot 174ec.
  
- D. Niche covers:
  - None this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Mr. Coffrin has discussed the culvert cover issue with an outside source and they have come up with a plan to repair the area in such a way a new cover will not be needed.
  
- B. In his submitted report, Mr. Coffrin said the foundation on the Bryant lot in Section G, Lot 26, had been repaired. Mr. Dennis Beaudin had removed the monument and will reset it when the foundation is ready for use.
  
- C. Ms. Labrador informed the commission she had been working on a title search for the Gould Cemetery and had been through all the documents available in the Barre Town vault. She has been working in the Barre City vault and is currently in the 1790 – 1860 timeframe and expects to have a full plot history for the August meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Mr. Rogers asked the commission if they would be willing to sponsor the upcoming bulk trash day scheduled for September 19. The members present said they could participate and asked Mr. Rogers to make the request to the selectman.

AROUND THE TABLE DISCUSSIONS

Mr. Harrington: with new town clerk Tina Lunt assuming the distribution of cemetery meeting materials and distribution, the commission wishes to thank Deb Lefebvre for her excellent work in keeping the commission informed and up to date through her years of service.

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting set for: August 25, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.  
Location: Room 3, Barre Town Municipal Office.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Ms. Labrador made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Garceau. With no further discussion, the motion carried on a voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of Alan Garceau, Chairman  
by Dwight D. Harrington, recorder