

## Town of Calais Cemetery Commission Minutes

**Commission Members Present:** Laura Dailey; Shari Fitch; Michael Fullerton; (Via zoom) Juanita Nunn; Randy Koch

**Not in Attendance:** None

**Members of the Public:** Stephanie Caplan

Called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm

**Adjustments to Agenda:** 2023 FY Budget, Michael got information on the investments for the commission from Barbara. Michael will get them to Juanita.

**Approve Minutes from 07/27/2022 meeting:** Shari made a motion to approve. Minutes approved with no changes.

**Sexton's report** – Joe sent an email, he is ill. He has not filled in the sunken graves in Old Fairview yet but will be doing it.

**Budget report** – Juanita has a budget from June, she will send it so we can look at it. There were emails from her and Barbara about coding, each expense has a code, and it was previously done by the treasurer but now we need to add them for accounting. Randy asked what the significance of signing them is. We discussed it, and determined it was for NMRCK auditing. We will need a proposed contract from Joe, as the one last year is from April-November.

**Hedge Trimming at Fairview** – Juanita needs to find out who to contact about who does that. We will try to get it done this spring so its in this fiscal year. Randy suggested we call John.

**Old West Church and Robinson Fence** –Shari has had a couple calls about why nothing is done. Juanita thought we could plan and get materials this winter so it could be started in the Spring. This is the next step.

Randy asked about how the fence controversy worked out and where the decision making stood. Juanita said it must be wood, but it can be pressure treated. Donna previously said the church will contribute to the fence there at the church. We believe that the DAB is requiring us to do it that way, but Stephanie Caplan said it does not have to be and that they cannot make us do anything; the Design Advisory Board does not have the power to make us do that. Juanita spoke with Anne Winchester and David Sheets who said we should continue to work with the DAB. Therefore, we got that \$10,000 per fence. Because we got it, we want to use it wisely. Sheri asked about records containing the amount of material. Joe may have some of that. We will pay more but hopefully it will last longer.

Shari will contact Donna and follow up on paperwork. Michael will follow up with John M about what ideas he may have about making the fence last longer, possibly concrete. Randy is wondering what we would use to support the posts. Michael will let us know further details at the next meeting. Juanita will email Joe about a materials list. Some have mentioned getting volunteers to do some of it if we could it would be great.

**Follow up next meeting on:**

**Ainsworth Fence and Sage Kennedy's volunteering** – Laura will come back with a report.

**Special Projects - Stone cleaning in Poplar Hill** – We should visit that at some point as well. We should bring up any if there is something we think needs to be done for the budget development.

Randy asked about the long fence at Robinson. It was falling, Joe took the back fence down though we did get chastised.

Michael asked where Joes bills are being sent. Juanita said he has been emailing them to the town and cc'ing us and Barbara on them.

**Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held in 2 weeks, 10/26/2022**

**Motion to Adjourn** – Laura made a motion to adjourn. Motion approved.

The meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm.

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