

**Draft Minutes from the Reorganizational Meeting of the Cemetery
Commissioners
Brookline Vermont on April 7, 2023**

- 1) The meeting was called to order by Town Clerk Guy Tanza at 6:53 PM
Commissioners Present : Laurie Nau-Martocci, Dot Maggio and Howard Osgood. Not Present: Mike Winot and Doug Wellman
- 2) There were no changes to the agenda.
- 3) Elect a chair of the cemetery Commissioners
Howard Osgood nominated Dot Maggio. Dot declined the nomination to be chair.
Dot Maggio nominated Laurie-Nau Martocci. Laurie accepted the nomination to be chair.
A vote was held and all were in favor. Laurie is the chair of the cemetery commission.
- 4) Elect a recording Clerk
Dot Maggio nominated herself to be the recording clerk for the commission. She offered to also set up the first agenda for the next meeting. A vote was held and all were in favor. Dot Maggio is the recording clerk for the cemetery commission.
- 5) Review Draft minutes form 11/7/2020
Since Laurie was not on the cemetery commission in 2020, the minutes were not reviewed and would be placed on the agenda for the next meeting. Mike Winot, Dot Maggio, Howard Osgood and the late Cynthia Nau were present. Place on the next agenda for review.
- 6) Discuss and vote on updating the cost of a burial plot at the Riverside Cemetery currently at \$200.00 Dot Maggio Motioned and Howard Osgood Seconded that this be tabled to the next meeting. Laurie will research the surrounding cemeteries to see what they are charging.

7) Discuss and vote on installing a fence street side at the Riverside Cemetery

After a brief discussion, it was determined to table this action until a full board was present to discuss. Howard Osgood and Dot Maggio saw antique metal fence panels at the old auction barn for sale at a price of \$2,000.00. Photos were passed around and Dot offered to write to the owners to see if there was any chance of a reduced price.

8) Discuss using Austine Cemetery for cremation burials in the future if the Riverside cemetery fills up.

Dot Maggio discussed how Mrs. Penny Massey donated significant funds to clean up approximately .75 acres of brush at the cemetery in the hopes that it could become active in the future. It was suggested that the commissioners walk up and review the current status of the cemetery to see if this was something that could be done in the future.

9) Agenda items for the next meeting.

Lord Abbott reserved funds

Cemetery plot purchase price review

Internment policy - casket vs Urns How many urns in a plot

Austine Cemetery use

Next meeting - May 12, 2023

10) Dot Maggio motioned to adjourn the meeting. Howard Osgood seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM