



Greenwood Cemetery

## Approved Minutes

WESTON CEMETERY COMMITTEE  
Town Hall Commission Room  
Tuesday, June 15, 2010 at 7:30pm

PRESENT: Present: Richard Wolf, Benjamin Hume, Pam Bochinski, Stewart Pearl;  
Margaret Wirtenberg

The meeting was called to order by Chair. Richard Wolf at 7:37pm.

A review of the discussion at the May 19, 2010 Board of Selectmen's meeting took place. Pam Bochinski described the de-selection of various sites by a majority of the Board of Selectmen, as well as the requests for further information about other possible access points to town-owned Fromson-Strassler acreage suitable to use as a cemetery.

## FURTHER STUDY

The Committee members (Wolf, Hume) who had been present for the May 11, 2010 "walk" of the Fromson-Strassler possible cemetery site, reported on town engineer and consultant architect's discussions of the practical and least expensive solution for access to grave sites.

Tax map #1a and #1b were examined to see where else there appeared to be a way into Fromson-Strassler. Those who had been on the "walk" reported on the drop-off to the stream to the east of the potential cemetery site and Bochinski reported that previous engineering and research, including work by the Town Engineer, of topo and soils data in a previous Cemetery Committee's investigation, seemed to confirm that the Upper Parish access was the best route.

## COSTS

Another concern at the May 19, 2010 Selectmen's meeting had been costs of developing a town cemetery.

A draft copy of a report by Willowbrook Cemetery staff and consultant, (Carole Reichhelm, President, Deborah Truhowsky, Manager, Willowbrook Cemetery, Westport, Blair Hines, landscape architect), at no cost to Weston, was discussed.

Developed after the May 11, 2010 "walk" this was the first time real numbers were available to determine whether the proposed town cemetery might be a realistic proposal. The Committee reviewed the costs of a several phase study and determined that in order to go beyond the proposal stage to the Selectmen, there would have to be a special appropriation made.

This would provide the data to answer questions from Town boards and commissions who would review the proposal as well as those from the general public at a Special Town Meeting, if one were to be held.

#### SELECTMEN

At no cost, a full written description and booklet of data and numbers will be available for the use of the Board of Selectmen and the Cemetery Committee prior to a meeting in July.

#### MINUTES OF "WALK"

The minutes of the "walk" on May 11, 2010, were approved informally, as only two members of the Committee had been present.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Wirtenberg, Acting Sec'y

