



Greenwood Cemetery

TOWN OF WESTON CEMETERY COMMITTEE
Commission Room at Town Hall
Minutes of October 26, 2009

Present: Richard Wolf, Pam Bochinski, Hal Matthews, Stewart Pearl, Benjamin Hume; Margaret Wirtenberg; Mr. Hasenaur (40 November Trail).

The meeting was called to order by Chair. Richard Wolf at 7:34pm.

Minutes of the October 7, 2009 meeting were approved (Pearl, Matthews).

CONTINUING REVIEW OF TOWN OWNED PROPERTIES

Discussion of the 5 properties for focus noted in the last meeting revealed a renewed interest, perhaps, in Lachat, based upon newspaper reports of the recent Board of Selectmen's meeting. Considerations of the immediately preceding Committee's work on Upper Parish was discussed. Awaiting reports on access and re-evaluation of soils.

One question the Committee will look into is the cremation v. full burial ratio currently. If it were a good idea to split these different methods, the Committee will also explore this.

The "Davis Hill" property also awaits report from the Town Engineer. In addition, it was discussed whether it was known if the Planning and Zoning Commission had plans for a suggested use or uses of this property in the new Town Plan under development.

"Norfield Road" site also to be reviewed by Town Engineer. Septic alternatives for Jarvis Military Academy were discussed.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION MEETING PRIOR TO THANKSGIVING

Preparation for a public review of the work of this and all the other Cemetery Committee's work will be done in the weeks ahead. Presentation of the best options the latest Committee has found as related to its "charge" will be coordinated and visual aids prepared to open the public discussion session.

As directed by the Selectmen, organizations and individuals who are interested in the idea of a town cemetery, and those who might provide direction, will be specifically invited to attend.

A plan for informing the public in advance and encouraging attendance was discussed. Specifically, the Commission on Aging, the Veterans Committee, individuals who expressed interest in being appointed to this Cemetery Committee but who were not selected to serve, should receive invitations.

NEXT MEETING NOV. 4 OR NOV. 10

The agenda for the next meeting shall include:

1. Report from Town Engineer on current properties and testing
2. Review of 2004 Committee's report where a "business plan" had been developed
3. Format for the public discussion meeting

Dates for the public open discussion meeting were suggested as Nov. 17 or 18.

The meeting adjourned @9:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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