

*Town of Atkinson
Cemetery Trustees
Regular Meeting
Tuesday May 26, 2015*

MINUTES

Open Meeting:

Chairman K. Friel opened the Regular Meeting of the Atkinson Cemetery Trustees at 7:40 PM on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 in the Atkinson Town Hall.

Members Present:

K. Friel, Chairman
R. Patuto, Vice-Chairman

Others Present:

B. Snicer

Approval of Minutes:

R. Patuto made the motion to approve the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting of April 30, 2015, as submitted. Second: K. Friel. Vote: 2/0/0.

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Old Business:

Duties of Trustees

The Trustees have reviewed the duties as outlined at the Reorganization Meeting, and have approved them.

Renting an Auger

R. Patuto said that he has looked into renting an auger to open a grave for cremations, but concluded that there was too much risk of damage to other burials.

Memorial Day Flowers

Both K. Friel and R. Patuto reported that many residents were disappointed that there were no flowers on the Perpetual Care graves for Memorial Day. The Trustees will send a letter to Trustee S. Garrity, expressing their disappointment, and understanding that, if she hasn't the time to dedicate to this position, she may wish to resign so that another may be of assistance.

Developing a New Section

K. Friel will speak with S. Killam, Planning Assistant regarding whether there are additional areas in town which might be developed for a cemetery in the future. In addition, she will speak with Town Engineer S. Keach and Surveyor T. Lavelle regarding developing a plan for the last section in the current cemetery.

New Business:

Veteran's Marker

Resident B. Colcord informed the Trustees that there was no Veteran's Marker on her brother's grave. R. Patuto has replaced this marker.

Wooden Fence

R. Patuto reported that the wooden fence was knocked down in a storm earlier in the week. He recommend leaving it down. K. Friel agreed.

Lawnmowers

R. Patuto reported that there were 4 large and 2 small lawnmowers in the Cemetery shed. Since the lawns are mowed every other Saturday, he suggested that we no longer need these and will speak with T. Dziechowski, Chairman of the Conservation Commission, to see if he has a use for any of them.

Eagle Project

R. Patuto indicated that a candidate for Eagle Scout was considering proposing an Eagle Project to develop a landscaped area with a bench for reflection and meditation. He added that this is not yet confirmed.

Adjournment:

**K. Friel made the motion to adjourn at 8:25 PM. Second: R. Patuto.
Vote: 2/0/0.**

Future Agenda:

- *Letter to S. Garrity* – B. Snicer
- *Develop new section* – K. Friel
- *Offer lawnmowers to Conservation* – R. Patuto