

Regular Meeting of the Cemetery Commission
Monday, May 13, 2019 5:30 p.m.
Bristol Historical Society, 98 Summer Street, Bristol, CT 06010

ATTENDEES: Chairman Michael Saman,
Commissioner Thomas LaPorte,
Commissioner Linda Arbesman
Commissioner Deanne Leveque

ABSENT:
City Council Liaison, Ellen Zoppo-Sassu
Commissioner Stanley Piotrowski

Public Participation: None

1. Call to Order

Chairman Saman called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Public Participation

None

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Commissioner LaPorte to approve the minutes of April 8, 2019.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner Levesque.

Motion passed unanimously.

4. Old Business by Commissioners

Commissioner Saman explained the positive results from today's probate court hearing. The Sarah Norton Pardee Trust will now be reviewed by the Mayor and then to the City Council meeting.

Commissioner Saman will revisit Cedar Hill Cemetery as they offer wonderful tours of the cemeteries. He will be re-sending the next email he receives from them.

The Day of Caring is Friday May 17, 2019. Our group will be from ESPN and their Wellness Program and the HR team. They will be there at noon to 4:00 p.m. at the Downs Cemetery. Cleaning and scrubbing the stones. Commissioner Saman will purchase 18 bags of mixed gravel.

Commissioner Saman will be following up with a grant from the Thomaston Savings Bank to assist with cleaning the cemeteries.

Commissioner Saman is still working on the plots for the North Cemetery.

The Commissioners will get together and review the cemetery to determine which stones need to be replaced and work with Christof for a quote. They will also take pictures and put them in a priority of rehabbing. There is one iron fence around a grave plot that requires work. The bolts and fences are welded and need to be reworked. Commissioner LaPorte will obtain pricing from a few welding vendors in order to repair the fence and gate. The date has been set for Sunday, May 19, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at Lewis Street and they will pick out the top 20 monuments that require work. They will obtain pricing and quotes in order to provide this information to the City Council.

Lisa Wilson will investigate whether or not the Cemetery Commission can accept donations or have raffles. Commissioner LaPorte would like to see if we can obtain donations from the public in order to assist funding with the cemetery commission.

Commissioner LaPorte stated that will be a 2nd annual concert on May 26, 2019 with parking on the Boulevard. Its next to the Revolution War Monument.

5. New Business by Commissioners

6. Any other business proper to come before the Meeting

7. Adjournment.

Motion made by Commissioner Levesque to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner Arbesman

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mike Saman, Chairman