

Regular Meeting of the Cemetery Commission
Monday, July 8, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.
Bristol Historical Society, 98 Summer Street, Bristol, CT 06010

ATTENDEES: Chairman Michael Saman,
Commissioner Thomas LaPorte,
Commissioner Stanley Piotrowski

ABSENT: City Council Liaison, Ellen Zoppo-Sassu
Commissioner Deanne Leveque
Commissioner Linda Arbesman

1. Call to Order

Chairman Saman called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

2. Public Participation

None

3. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Saman will provide the June meeting minutes to the Peacedale Cemetery. It was decided by all to postpone the approval of the June 10, 2019 meeting minutes to the next meeting.

4. Old Business by Commissioners

Commissioner Saman informed the Commissioners that Dawn Ledger did submit a grant of \$2,000 to Thomaston Savings Bank. Commissioner Saman requested funds for D/2 and materials for South Cemetery.

The State of CT will not be issuing any funds to the Cemetery Commission as Bristol's historic cemeteries are now considered in good condition.

The North Cemetery is in desperate need of better lawn maintenance.

City of Bristol pays West Cemetery to maintain North Cemetery, South Cemetery, Lake Avenue and the soldier's plots. Commissioner Saman provided pictures of North and South Cemetery. The services rendered by West Cemetery are inferior and not acceptable. Commissioner Saman will provide these pictures to the Board of West Cemetery.

The concern of the Peacedale trees will need to be addressed by the Peacedale Cemetery as it is privately owned.

Commissioner Saman has not completed the layout project for the North Cemetery.

Honorable Judge Dorval has not made a final determination regarding the Sarah Norton Pardee Trust. He still has approximately 30-60 days in order to make a decision.

Lisa Wilson will scan the pictures in of North Cemetery and submit a description to the Honorable Judge Dorval and to Richard Lacey with the explanation of what the goal of the Cemetery Commission is and how the funds from the Pardee Trust will be utilized.

For example the Merriman monument needs structural repairs and also could use some enhanced engraving. Most of the Lewis monuments have been fixed, however there are other Lewis stones that are in need of repair. There is a rare Brownstone damaged due to water getting into it. One of the Pardee stone needs a ball installed on the top. We will also like to repair the only iron gated plot in the cemetery.

5. New Business by Commissioners

6. Any other business proper to come before the Meeting

7. Adjournment.

Motion made by Commissioner Piotrowski to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner LaPorte

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mike Saman, Chairman