Cemetery Committee Meeting- April 16th 6:30 PM

In attendance: Supervisor: Beth McGee, Deputy Clerk: Susan Thompson, Highway Superintendent: Buddy Rollins, Residents: Vera Howe-Strait, Ed Thompson, Wayne Snyder

Cemetery Maintenance Hour requirements:

- Budd- 1.5 hours for 2 people
- Presbyterian- 3.5-4 hours for 2 people
- Christian- 4-4.5 hours for 2 people
- Rolfe- 4-5 hours for 2 people

Concerns about too many ornaments on the grave sites that make it difficult to maintain.

Need to enforce rules about what type of adornments people can place on graves.

Post signs with restrictions on what to put on the graves.- Assess cost of this

Sue will get rules from two other cemeteries regarding adornments.

Do we want to regulate what type of stone? Only ground stones or continue to allow standing stones.

Mowing season- May 1<sup>st</sup> for first mow until November 1<sup>st</sup>. Buddy will start May 1<sup>st</sup> with clean up.

In an unused area, can we reset stones that are no longer in the places that they originally were in to be a designated memorial area.

We have to purchase a trailer to move the mower. Buddy has priced \$850.00-\$1000.00- from Tractor Supply. Buddy will arrange to get the trailer to be paid for out of A1620.4

Around 10 gallons of gasoline per week.

Buddy will take it on with the understanding that we will make an assessment of future maintenance care. Town Board was in agreement at April 11<sup>th</sup> meeting, but Beth wants them to officially make this change by resolution.

Highway crew will begin clean up and first mow May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Should we have the cemeteries surveyed? Do we have maps? Sue will look it up.

Plots left?

- Presbyterian finished
- Rolfe Finished
- Budd- 2 plots for remaining but spoken for
- Christian- Row 19 remaining spaces, Row 20 all numbered spaces available

Row- 21 reserve for additional that we don't have space for that were already purchased in case of errors in past record keeping.

Prepare proposal about plots for sale to town board for July Board meeting.

Start promoting sale for Fall newsletter.

First come/first serve must buy no later than December 31, 2019.

Advertise in newsletter, website, public notice in paper, funeral homes, sign at cemetery

Can we stop selling plots- Beth will look into whether or not we can stop selling spaces.

Plots to be sold for \$300 a piece

Burials-

- Funeral director calls- goes to meet family or funeral director
- Get ahold of whomever could dig- make list of possible excavator contacts (who do other cemeteries use?)
- Meet at cemetery to facilitate the digging.
- Make sure things go smoothly- gets filled back in and level.
- Start to finish day of burial hours that consumes- 3-5 on average

What is appropriate fee for the person who will arrange the burials.

Committee determined Burial Coordinator fee should be \$300 (this is charged to the family)

Full plot digging- \$500- (opening and closing)

Cremation plot digging \$250 (opening and closing)

Weekends and holidays- \$550 for full plot open/close

Policy J- Change to: Burial coordinator will meet with monument company to coordinate location and setting of headstones. Headstones are not managed or facilitated by the Town of Enfield. Must be managed by monument company.

Wayne Snyder will let us know by end of April if he will continue as burial coordinator with new fee schedule.

Beth will put draft proposal together for Town Board

Next Meeting: Thursday May 2rd 6:30. Will discuss draft proposal and review and revise cemetery policy.