GRAND ISLE CEMETERY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

March 14, 3:30 p.m., Grand Isle Town Office

Meeting was called to order by Valerie Hunter, Vice Chair, at 3:32 p.m.

Commissioners present: Brian Allen, Lucille Campbell, Valerie Hunter, and Sue Lawrence. Jane Pomykala arrived at 3:38 p.m.

Guests: None

Brian Allen has been sworn in as Commissioner.

Additions or Deletions to agenda: Organization of Commission delayed until Jane could arrive. Old Business moved ahead of New Business because of the weather.

Sue moved to approve the minutes of Feb. 14, 2023, Valerie seconded. Sue, Jane and Lucille approved; Brian abstained.

Financial report – none

Lawn care, maintenance – no bills

Burials and Lot Sales – John Phillips asked to be allowed to use part of Dr. & Mrs. Hall’s 18’x20’ lot to bury him and his wife. Mrs. Phillips is the daughter of Dr. & Mrs. Hall. Mr. Phillips will contact his children to see if any of them would use the rest of the lot. If not, he would consider donating the rest of the lot to the Cemetery to use as needed.

Organization of Commission.

Jane moved to elect Valerie Hunter as Chair, Lucille seconded. Discussion. Sue suggested voting on the whole slate of officers at once. Lucille rescinded her second, Jane rescinded her motion.

Sue moved to elect Valerie Hunter as Chair; Jane Pomykala, Vice Chair; Sue Lawrence as Administrator/Secretary and Lucille Campbell, Recording Secretary. Brian Allen seconded. All in favor.

Lawn care contract – Sue will retype.

Val had a reply from Champlain Monuments. We will meet with them later this spring to decide which section to clean.

Fence – Sue has heard no more from 802 Fence. She will contact them again and ask for an estimate.

Lucille had an estimate and information from Hawk Creek Fence. After discussion, consensus was that Lucille will let Hawk Creek Fence know that we are still waiting for another estimate, and also let them know that part of the section for the new fence is wet in the spring.

Discussion about cleaning the fence at Quaker Cemetery. Brian will contact Silas Shepard, Champlain Pressure Wash for information.

Cemetery Sign – Bill Kaigel sent a proposed design for the new sign. Consensus was that everyone liked it except for a few minor details. Lucille will let Bill know our suggested changes: change top of urn to a plain knob and make the body of the urn a little smaller. The base of the urn, the willow branches, frame and font are good as is.

Two questions for Bill: Will the design be a black outline or solid black? The commissioners think an outline might be preferable. What material is used for the hanging post and what color will it be?

Commissioners’ manual was given out to commissioners.

Revision of VLCT Rules and Procedures is tabled until the April meeting.

Sue moved to change the regular meeting time to 4:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month to allow all to attend. Brian seconded. All in favor.

Lucille moved to adjourn at 5:05 p.m. All seconded! Motion passed.

Next meeting April 11, 2023 at 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille Campbell, Recording Secretary