GRAND ISLE CEMETERY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

January 9, 2024, 4:30 p.m., Grand Isle Town Office

Meeting was called to order by Valerie Hunter, Chair, at 4:30 p.m.

Commissioners present: Lucille Campbell, Valerie Hunter, Sue Lawrence.

Commissioners absent: Brian Allen, Jane Pomykala.

Additions or deletions to the agenda: None

Sue moved to approve the minutes of Dec. 12, 2023. Val seconded. Passed, all in favor.

Administrative Report

Financial Report: $435.34 check received from the Hanson Fund.

Lawn Care, Maintenance – $1649.14 bill from Ron Bushway, the final bill for the fall season.

Invoice from The Islander for $192.00 for publishing lawn care bid notice for 4 weeks will be sent to Sue. Val moved to approve the bill from The Islander, Sue seconded. All in favor. Lucille will post the bid notice on Front Porch Forum and ask Angie Low to post it on the Grand Isle Town website.

No burials, no lot sales.

Old Business items:

Work session on Commissioners’ Manual and Winter Projects tabled due to absent commissioners and inclement weather.

Brief discussion of content of Cemetery page in the Town Report. Lucille will finish it and get it to Melissa.

New Business:

Sue presented the membership renewal notice for VOCA (Vermont Old Cemetery Association). Lucille moved to renew the VOCA membership for 5 years at $82. Sue seconded. All in favor.

Brief discussion concerning the Selectboard’s acceptance of a Procurement Policy for the Town. Per the Town Attorney’s advice to the Selectboard, the Cemetery Commission will be removed from the list of boards and commissions bound by the Procurement Policy because the policy would affect the separation of Cemetery funds from the Town funds as provided by statute. The Commissioners can adopt a Procurement Policy specific to the Cemetery.

Sue presented an e-mail dated Jan. 9, 2024 from Jane Pomykala stating her need to resign from the Cemetery Commission due to health concerns. Jane’s term expires March 2025. Lucille will post a notice on Front Porch Forum asking for anyone interested in the one-year position to file to be a candidate on the March ballot and ask Angie Low to post it on the Town website.

Sue moved to adjourn the meeting. Lucille seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Next meeting February 12, 2024 at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille Campbell, Recording Secretary