

Minutes of the Whately Cemetery Commission
Wednesday, May 2, 2018

Attendance: Darcy Tozier, Paul Fleuriel, Elizabeth Conlisk

The meeting was called to order at 9:05.

The minutes for the meeting on April 2, 2018 were approved.

Cemetery expansion: Darcy and Elizabeth will do a survey of the available plots in the three cemeteries and estimate the rate of new purchases in last 5 years. They will then send a formal letter of inquiry about land purchase to DeWitt Thomsen and copy the selectmen.

Volunteer Days: Start with West Whately on June 2, 9-12 with refreshments.

Cemetery maintenance:

Keith Bardwell wants to fill the ruts in the Center cemetery road at estimated cost of \$500 for gravel. Will also re-grade. He would also like to trim upper limbs of trees in West Cemetery at estimated costs of \$1200 for bucket. He will also clear road so more clearance. Grade out southern road. We currently have approximately \$6000 in long term care account.

Motion: Use an estimated \$1700 from our long-term care account to re-grade and re-gravel Center Cemetery road, and trim trees in West. **Approved.**

Tractor service: Darcy said our two tractors are failing us. Each needs to be serviced 2-3 times per season. Paul will talk to Boyden and Perron in Amherst about tractors that can handle the stress of cemetery mowing.

Assignments:

Darcy will tell Keith Bardwell we have approved the work to Center and West.

Elizabeth will submit notice for Volunteer Days to the Whately Scoop. Darcy will bring refreshments.

Paul will ask Christopher Arel about servicing tractors in the spring.

Darcy and Eliz will survey available plots in all three cemeteries. They will then formally send a letter of inquiry to DeWitt Thomson and copy the selectmen.

Paul will talk to Boyden and Perron in Amherst about tractors that can handle the stress of cemetery mowing. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25.

