

Village of Skaneateles

Cemetery Board of Lake View Cemetery

Regular Meeting – January 22, 2023

Present: Rob Gray, Chairman
Roben Shappell, Deputy Chair
Mary Marshall, Commissioner
Susan Fox, Commissioner
Pete Buehler, Commissioner
DMO Posella

Chairman Gray called the meeting to order at 9:04 am.

Minutes - On the motion of Comm. Marshall, seconded by Comm. Fox, the Board approved the minutes from the December 18 meeting, upon the unanimous vote among the members present in favor of the motion, it was carried 4-0.

Transactions –

- No new transactions.

Rules & Regulations – DMO Posella gave the Board an update – have not had time to dive into the matter like it needs to be. Deputy Chair Shappell commented that this is a very sensitive subject and she is hoping that it can be worked out to accommodate some of the things that lot owners are concerned about. She also mentioned that she does not believe that a lot of the addresses on the spreadsheet of current lot owners are still accurate, in regards to getting the updated set of Rules & Regulations out to them. Comm. Fox suggested putting something up on the website - updated Rules & Regulations as well as a blurb to say that “if you believe that this is a special circumstance to please contact the Cemetery Board with questions.” Deputy Chair Shappell asked DMO Posella what percentage of decorations/plants were left around for cleanup, to which he replied that it is a significant amount left behind. He also mentioned that the storm that occurred on January 9th and 10th had very high winds and blew a lot of the fall plants and wreaths around the cemetery. Deputy Chair Shappell asked what kind of damage was done to the monuments in the areas that had significant limbs and branches come down from trees, DMO Posella replied that he will be having MTO Kieffer go up and do an inventory of damages to get the cost of restoration quoted and repaired. He also gave the Board a run down on the tree damage that Cayuga Tree Service will be coming to take care of. Deputy Chair Shappell asked about having the trees looked at to assess if they needed to come down or not, OCSWD did this last year, but sometimes it is hard to catch everything.

New Business –

- *Budget* – Comm. Buehler would like to start discussing the budget at the next meeting. Deputy Chair Shappell asked for an up-to-date expense report to discuss.

Other/Old Business –

- *Burrows Chapel* – DMO Posella updated the Board that there are a few companies that have expressed interest in the Burrow’s Chapel project. They will be looking to set something up to take a look at the work that needs to be done. President Gray expressed concern about 2 large

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line trees that have the potential to come down and do significant damage to the Chapel, DMO Posella has no problems taking down the pine trees to save the Chapel.

Next Meeting – The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 26th, at the Village Hall.

On the motion of Comm. Marshall, seconded by Comm. Fox the Board approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:25am, upon the unanimous vote among the members present in favor of the motion, it was carried 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cori Christy,
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer