



The Commissioners of the Cemeteries

The North and East Burial Grounds Commission

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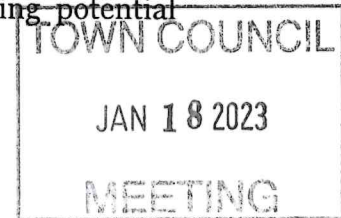
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MINUTES

The meeting of Wednesday, October 12, 2022 was held at The Chapel at North Burial Ground at 1081 Hope Street, Bristol, Rhode Island. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Charles Cavalconte at 6:00 PM. Present were Chairman Charles Cavalconte, Commissioner Susan Church, Commissioner Ed Caruci, Commissioner Kathy Moran, Commissioner Jim Riccio, Superintendent Enzly Ramsay and associate Lil Ramsay, and Recording Secretary Carol Gafford. Guest included Josh Cabral from Sansone Funeral Home.

The meeting started with a tour of the Cremation Garden and evaluating potential ceremonial sites.



1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.**
2. **A MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE** for our dead and their families
3. **REVIEW & APPROVAL:** Minutes of the September 14 meeting were approved by a motion from E. Carusi and seconded by J. Riccio and accepted by all.
4. **REVIEW:** Monthly Census of Cemetery Use. There were 7 burials, 18 year to date.
5. **REVIEW:** Monthly Expenses and Invoices for September 2022 were reviewed
6. **UPDATE:** Superintendent Ramsay has repaired 10 stones this month.
7. **UPDATE:** Invoice is pending from the DPW for repaving North and South Roads in the NBG.
8. **UPDATE:** Rei Battcher from the Bristol Historical and Preservation Society will present walking tours at the NBG October 29 and 29th.
9. **UPDATE | STATUS PROJECTS at THE CREMATION GARDEN (CG):** The members of the Commission met at the Cremation Garden to discuss unused available space with potential for future development. Topics discussed included placement of stone benches and bronze memorials, Commendation space, road expansion to accommodate parking, foot path widening, and repair and new surface for path.
10. **UPDATE | STATUS PROJECTS at THE NORTH BURIAL GROUND:** Warren Monument is cleaning and inking the stone at Gate 3 and carving a new stone at Gate 4. Work continues on the perimeter stone wall and the white washed wall (Tony and John continue this project and the gap is fixed), tree management, tree plaques' and design, installation of the NW corner marker (Chairman Cavalconte has contacted Steve Murgo about this), and veterans markers. The dog care and waste management signs need to be replaced.

11. **UPDATE | STATUS REVIEW:** Town Clerk Cordeiro signed the agreement with CemeteryFind for the electronic access and the management of the burial card files for NBG. Dates are pending for the transfer of date.
12. **ONGOING:** Reminder to our families that US Flags are available for the graves of veterans at the NBG's Superintendent's Office or from the Bristol Council of Veterans.

NEW TOPICS and PROJECTS:

Planning for spring 2023, consider grass cutting and fertilizing in order to attract pollinators to both North and East Burial Grounds. Discussion was had on No Mow May. No Mow May is a conservation initiative first popularized by Plantlife, an organization based in the United Kingdom, but which is gaining traction across North America. The goal of No Mow May is to allow grass to grow unmown for the month of May, creating habitat and forage for early season pollinators. An Alternate is needed for the Commission and Josh Cabral is interested in the position.

Chairman Cavalconte entertained a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Commissioner J. Riccio and seconded by Commissioner E. Carusi. The Meeting adjourned at 7:12PM. Next meeting November 9, 2022

~Respectfully Submitted and Approved for Record
Wednesday November 9, 2022
Carol Gafford, Recording Secretary