



*Town of Ware
Cemetery Commission
99 Pleasant Street, Ware, Massachusetts 01082*

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
MONDAY, June 18, 2018**

Location: Town Hall, Ware, MA
Time: 3:20 pm
Present: Craig Simmons, Julie Bullock, John Piechota,
Excused: Ryan Maslak

BULLOCK Motion to approve the minutes of the May, 2018 meeting as corrected
SIMMONS Second
All were in favor.

Financial Report

No Report

Updates from John Piechota

The mowing is caught up. Caterpillars are back. Stone that had been knocked down is now back up.

There was a discussion regarding placement of the wooden section markers. Craig will go to the cemetery and take a look.

An individual inquired on the history of some graves. Bill Cote took pictures for him and the person was very appreciative.

John received a letter from Bank of America, U.S. Trust regarding the Handanian Trust. The letter was requesting a signature from the Cemetery Commission to verify the use of the income. Craig signed the letter and it will be returned to Bank of America.

Veterans Liaison and Stone Cleaning Workshop

Craig would like Ryan Maslak, the new Commissioner, to be involved. Craig will send Ryan an email to explain the veteran's liaison role. Craig suggested that it is time to get Bill Cote's expertise on stone cleaning and set a date for a workshop, but not too late in the season. Maybe September 8th would work. Craig will work on publicity, and asking other cemeteries if they would be interested. Julie will put it on Facebook. Craig will talk to Bill about what equipment would be required for the workshop, including an instruction handout.

Elizabeth Wetherell

The stone for the Elizabeth Wetherell will be delivered by the donor this week to the Highway Department Barn. Craig suggested that there needs to be a discussion regarding the placement. It was decided to put the stone in now and do a dedication and tour on October 13 at noon.

Paul's Hours

John reported that Paul is working 19 hours per week.

Memorial Garden-Phase 2

John will put together a working plan for the Commissioners to review by the next meeting, including how far down to the water to go. Craig said the Cemetery will pay for the seeding, which will cost between \$600 and \$700. John has fill, but the Town should be responsible for paying for the loam. John will make a recommendation and prepare an estimate for the loam. He suggested that seeding should be done in late August – Sept.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm

The next regular meeting will be July 16, 2018 at the Town Hall.

Nancy Dunn, Recorder

Approved:

Craig Simmons _____

Julie Bullock _____

Ryan Maslak _____