

**EAST HAVEN
OLD CEMETERY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 27, 2014**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Carmel Antonucci
Peggy Thomas
Jim Saccavino
Judy Ruggiero
Barbara Buonome
Letizia Morales
William Jackson, Chair

MEMBERS ABSENT

1. **Call to Order:** Bill Jackson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Jim made a motion to accept the minutes of February 27, 2014; seconded by Barbara. All in favor, motion carried.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** The account balance remains the same as last month. The Balance is **\$8,879.01**. Carmel made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report; seconded by Jim. All in favor, motion carried.
4. **Old Business:** Peggy has not yet found the paperwork that was compiled by some of the board members listing some of the stones and their locations. She will report back to the board regarding her findings at the next meeting.

Judy still has not heard from the courier regarding the "Step Into A Story" publication the editor committed to printing to help inform the residents about the history of the Old Cemetery.

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When the weather warms up, some members of the board hope to get together to help Judy locate the stone belonging to Jakob P. Richards and his wife Mary. She would like to take a photograph of the stone and send it to his niece Robin Oneill. Ms. Oneill sent a donation to The Old Cemetery in memory of the Richards' family. Judy contacted Ms. Oneill by mail thanking her for her generosity and indicated The Old Cemetery Board would like to learn more information about the Richards' family and its history. She has not heard back from her, as yet.

Barbara will try contacting Chili's Restaurant to schedule a date for the Old Cemetery Board fundraiser that will hopefully take place in the next few months. Flyers will be made up and distributed by the board members.

5. **New Business:** The board agreed to contact Len Fasano for some help in obtaining a grant for the Old Cemetery to help with the restoration of the stones. The board has tried in the past to apply for grants, but has not been very successful. Mr. Fasano has been very helpful to other organizations in town in securing grants and the board hopes he will be able to do the same for them.

There are a lot of large limbs down at the front of the Old Cemetery. Bill will contact the Public Works department in the town to remove them.

Bill gave B&R Landscaping a recommendation to be considered for a job in another town. The Old Cemetery still has a two year option to retain them without going out to bid. The general consensus is that the contractors are doing a great job at the Old Cemetery.

6. **Adjournment:** Judy made a motion to adjourn at 7:48 p.m.; seconded by Barbara. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectively Submitted,

Lorene Russell
Board Clerk

