

EAST HAVEN OLD CEMETERY BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES March 30, 2017

A Regular Meeting of the Old Cemetery Board was held on Thursday, March 30, 2016 in the Mario Giamo Conference Room, Lower Level, Town Hall, 250 Main Street, East Haven at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of the following:

William Jackson called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Roll Call, Chairman William Jackson, Judy Ruggiero, Christen Quijano, and Barbara Buonome. Absent were Dan McCann and James Saccavino.

2. Approval of Minutes

Barbara Buonome made a motion to approve the minutes. Christen Quijano seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion approved.

3. Treasurer's Report

Judy Ruggiero stated that she deposited a donation from Temple Smith for \$8.00 for the bow on the Christmas Wreath. The balance stands at \$11,192.09. Barbara Buonome made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Christen Quijano seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

4. Old Business

Judy Ruggiero stated that she received a letter from the landscaper the next day. Judy reads letter to the board. "First let us apologies for any inconvenience this has caused you or the families with loved one at the cemetery. Freddy was injured a couple of months back and out of work on workman's comp. (they gave Judy the receipt from the doctors) He is now just been released to go back to work with no restrictions. This is not an excuse but is part of the reason things were not handled correctly this fall at the cemetery. I tried to handle that account with the crew on my own without him being there and it was not handled to the best of our ability and many things got overlooked. For this we apologies. As soon as the weather breaks we intend on correcting the issue we will spend whatever time necessary to get everything up to where it needs to be.

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Judy states she sent a copy to Paul Rizza's department.

Christen states that she contacted the boy scouts and troop 408 said they would be willing to help us out in cleaning up the cemetery. She wants to drive by to see how much trash is there to clean up. I am thinking maybe April/May once the weather breaks.

Bill states he will have all flags up before Memorial Day with the help of Arlene Hackbarth.

Judy states she still needs to get to the bank with Barbara to be the second signer on the checking account. This has been delayed due to the weather.

5. New Business

Christen states that she would like to start planning some fundraising. One idea was a rose garden within the cemetery. She had seen this in California. Families can donate for a rose bush in memory of a loved one and get the labor for free maybe the garden club can plant them. This would also attract on lookers into the cemetery. Judy is thinking there might not be a lot of sun in the cemetery as they would need a lot of sun.

6. Adjournment

Judy Ruggiero made a motion to adjourn at 7:57 p.m. Barbara Buonome seconded. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Temple Smith, OCB Clerk