

Minutes of Cemetery Commission meeting April 8, 2025

Meeting called to order 7:03 pm

Present: Peter Freisem (Chair), Jack Harrison, Steve Jackson

New Business

Minutes of FEBRUARY 11, 2025 meeting were approved.

Ongoing Business

CEMETERY DEED REVISIONS: JH reported about conversation he had with Town lawyer (McNichol) and showed revisions to deed so far.

JH said McNichol had recommended we research State Board of Health regulations about Green Burials and make sure ours are in line.

SJ brought up the fact that State DEP is recommending unworkable setbacks from wells (750 feet) that would remove the possibility of Green Burials in our cemeteries. SJ did not think these setbacks had been adopted throughout state and recommended we see what Board of Health currently recommends.

JH said he would research what State BOH says about Green Burials and setbacks from wells and depth requirements.

JH said he would revise deed and regulations before next meeting and submit to Town lawyer for review. JH suggested it might be good to add photos of good monument examples (for traditional and for cremains burials and add them to regulations for clarity.

CEMETERY MAPPING: PF reported that he had not yet heard back from Lee Whitcomb, or from company that licenses it about the ESRI software license.

MARCIA LEWIS BURIAL LOT: JH said he needs final lot designation numbers to draw up deed for her.

LOT MARKERS: PF said he has found Andover Marker Company as supplier and would order some lot markers from them

Next Commission meeting was agreed for Tuesday, June 3, 2025, at 7pm
Members voted to adjourn meeting at 7:52 pm.