

# Morristown Cemetery Association

## Annual Meeting

April 30, 2019

Tegu Building Conference Room

### AGENDA

- I. Call to order at 4:32pm by Dennis Smith
- II. Introductions – not necessary
  - a. Attendees – Dennis Smith & Lorinda Smith, Cherie Lefevre, Anne Shackett, Jane Paine, Brian Kellogg
  - b. Absent – Irene Wilkins
- III. Public Concerns - none
- IV. Reading of the By-Laws waived – Motion by Anne Shackett. Second by Cherie Lefevre. Passed.
- V. Minutes of October 20, 2018 meeting waived until next meeting.  
**Motion to accept Minutes by Cherie Lefevre. Seconded by Lorinda Smith. Passed.**
- VI. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Jane presented financials for the period ending April 30, 2019. (see attached)
    - i. MCA has approx.. \$22,000 currently available for repairs
  - b. **Motion to accept as presented by Anne Shackett. Seconded by Lorinda Smith. Passed.**
- VII. Endowment Secretary's Report – no sales or interments to report
- VIII. Election of Officers
  - a. Dennis Smith – President (Trustee to Laporte, Randolph, Riverside Cemeteries)
  - b. Anne Shackett – Vice President (Trustee to Mountain View Cemetery)
  - c. Jane Paine – Secretary/Treasurer/Endowment Secretary (Trustee to Wheeler & Plains Cemetery)
  - d. Trustee to the Board – Lorinda Smith
  - e. Grounds Director – open
  - f. Cherie Lefevre (Trustee to Lakeview Cemetery)
  - g. Motion by Cherie Lefevre to accept list of positions as presented. Seconded by Lorinda Smith. Passed.
- IX. Unfinished Business
  - a. Select Board Meeting – Dennis and Jane attended Select Board meeting early April to explain our positions that we need help from the Town to get projects completed. We don't have the manpower to do it alone. Town needs to assist with finding a new mowing contract. Board instructed Dan Linley to assist us. They would like a more concrete plan of the work that needs to be done. MCA to come back with a budget of work/costs in order to increase our budget for next year.
- X. Cemetery Reports
  - a. Lakeview Cemetery, the trees that fell in the cemetery and were reported about a year ago have still not been cleaned up. Going to investigate cost of hiring a crew to cleanup. This would not require "tree professionals". Roscoe & Sheila Demars stone is still located on the wrong end of the lot. Also noted that 3 stones need repair.
  - b. At Mountainview Cemetery, "one-way" signage still needed to control the traffic flow and reduce damage to the one end of the driveway. Also noted that there are 3 broken stones and 3 more leaning.
  - c. At Wheeler Cemetery, some large branches from one of the 3 remaining pine trees fell into the cemetery and onto adjacent property. Jane contacted Barrett's Tree Service for a quote to remove the pine in the left front corner. Quote was \$4,000 for that one tree, or \$6,000 for all three pines. Brent Paine had approached landowner and was told that he

would not allow the use of his land to take down the two pines in the back. He wanted those left alone. Due to the nature of the land relationship, it was determined to follow his instruction. Jane is going to contact Barrett's again to have a review of other tree needs to see if we can get a better deal on more work. Jane & Brent plan to straighten the stones at Wheeler this summer. Doesn't appear to be any broken stones to date.

- d. At Randolph, the seed needs to be replanted on the cremation area. Dennis wants to start the fencing project this summer. There are approx. 12 stones that may need minor repairs, lifting and straightening.
- e. At Laporte, the fencing really needs a good cleaning (moss covered areas). Possibly 15 stones needing minor work. 2 large pines to be removed and misc cleanup along the tree-line.
- f. At Riverside, approx. 15 stones high priority and 25 others needing minor repairs. About 180' of fencing should be put up to hide the mess behind Pleasant View Garage (pile of tires) Potentially 2 trees to be removed.

XI. New Business

- a. Suggestion to move our Annual meeting to the month of May (better weather conditions) in order to be more prepared to discuss the condition of the cemeteries after a spring tour. This would require a "warning" in the paper prior to next meeting.

XII. Meeting Adjourned at 5:40 pm

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Jane Paine**