

Acworth Cemetery Trustees Minutes: November 18, 2021

Present: Sexton Kris Fenderson; trustees Claudia Istel, and Helen Frink.

Minutes of September 23rd and October 28th were approved.

Sales of Lots, burials: Sexton Kris Fenderson confirms two lot sales this year: (DeValk on 5/2/2021 for \$350 (for a 1/4 lot) and Wilson (for George Hammond) on 1/13/2021 for \$550.00). The total of \$900 agrees with the budget record received for out meeting. Corner stones for the two lots would equal \$400.

Mowing invoice Nov. 4: \$2,950 was signed to authorize for payment. Invoices paid to date: \$10,480. Total mowing expense for 2021 is \$13,430; budget was \$10,000.

Report of Damage received from Bill Brodne described "heavy equipment tracks" across several lots. Next spring we will order a load of loam that can be used to fill in ruts.

Herpel Lots

Helen Frink moved that this description of the Herpel family lots become final; it was confirmed, and a letter to that effect will be sent to Stella and John Herpel:

*East stone wall from the NE corner south 70 feet
North stone wall from the NE corner west 43 feet
West border from the N stone wall 66 feet south to the NE Knicely marker
South border from the NE Knicely marker east 46 feet to the E stone wall
The above includes the 12 foot wide strip along the south border considered suitable for coffin burial. Seven corner markers will be installed; four will mark the outer bounds of the lots suitable for casket burial (K-19, K-20, and K-21) and three more at the stone walls that mark the NW, NE and SE corners of the larger lot. The casket area would stop 10 feet short of the east stone wall as currently mapped.*

Helen Frink moved that no further lots will be assigned in any part of the cemetery that has not been surveyed for lot lines. That was also approved.

2021 Budget Review

This fall we deferred any tree work or monument repair so that we could return those budgeted funds to the town to partially compensate for late July flood damage to town roads. Next year the priority for tree work will be removing a clump of dead ash and weed cherry trees between the knoll area and the Herpel lots. We noted that mowing costs were high this season due to exceptionally rainy weather. Our proposed budget reflects a need to keep expenses and the burden on taxpayers as low as possible.

		Spent	Proposed 2022 Budget
Tree Work	\$ 5,000.00	0	\$4,000
Monument repair	\$ 3,000.00	0	\$2,000
Lawn care	\$ 10,000.00	\$13,430	\$14,000
Miscellaneous	\$ 500.00	0	\$500
Survey work	\$ 500.00		\$500

Corner markers	\$ 400.00	\$400	\$450
Subtotals	\$ 19,400.00		\$21,450
Less offsets from trust funds	-		0
Less sales of lots	\$ 1,100.00	\$900	\$1,500
Totals	\$ 17,800.00		\$19,950

No further meetings were scheduled for 2021.

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