

Chesterfield Cemetery Commission Meeting - August 20, 2019

Present: Chair Neil Jenness, Sexton Chris Flagg, Commissioners Pat Porter, Fran Shippee, Ed Cheever, Cheryl Maibusch

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pat motioned for July minutes to be approved. Ed seconded. Minutes from July 9, 2019 were approved as written.

Sexton report:

- Zack has had his surgery and will be 2 weeks in recovery so will be unable to help with fall clean-up although there are other smaller jobs he can perform before season's end.
- Classified ads in the Sentinel yielded no good prospects for maintenance employees.
- Chris will be back from vacation on Sept. 3. Tom will have the phone in his absence.
- The mower has been fixed and now has a warranty.
- Chris was able to repair 6 or 7 headstones since last meeting.
- Despite mower repair expense, the budget is still expected to end up OK.

Discussion progressed to asking about potential upcoming projects. Three were mentioned:

- 1) Looking at paving Spofford Cemetery road
- 2) Coming up with a more long-term fix for the white fencing in Chesterfield West. Right now slats are deteriorating and need to be replaced & repainted. Looking into feasibility of plastic wood to be used for slats. Would negate deterioration and the need for painting at all. Is expensive though.
- 3) At least two cemeteries (Castle & New Boston) have sections of stone wall that look like they want to fall down. When that happens it will be dealt with. Right now they are being monitored.

Next meeting will be on September 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the Chesterfield Library.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl L. Maibusch
Cemetery Commissioner