Cemetery Commission Monday, November 15, 2021, at 3pm Meeting Minutes

<u>Agenda</u>

- A. Call the meeting to order.
- B. Approval of 5-17-2021 Minutes.
- C. Nomination and election of Chairperson.
- D. Bowie Cemetery Request.
- E. Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Request.
 - a. Monument Cleaning
- F. Adjournment

<u>Minutes</u>

- A. Meeting called to order at 3:00PM. Members present, Clark Baston, Mark Health, Joy Malloy, Nicholas Thibeault, and Debbie Allen Grover, Clerk. Also present was Robert Wood resident of North Yarmouth.
- B. A motion was made by Nicholas Thibault to accept the minutes of 5-17-2021 as printed, motion was seconded by Clark Baston. So voted 4 0 in favor.
- C. Clark Baston made a motion to nominate Joy Malloy as Chairperson for the fiscal year 2022. Motion was seconded by Mark Heath. So voted 4 -0 in favor.
- D. The Commission read and discussed the request made by Robert Wood (letter attached) to have a memorial marker in his name placed in Bowie Cemetery. After some discussion Clark Baston made a motion to deny this request, motion was seconded by Mark Heath. So, vote 4 -0 to deny Mr. Wood's request. Mark Heath made a motion to include in the Cemetery Rules and Regulations, Article 2, noting Bowie Cemetery is no longer an active cemetery there are no lots available for purchase, no interments or memorials will be placed other than those who have already purchased the right to do so. Motion seconded by Joy Malloy. So voted 4 0 in favor.
- E. The Commission agreed to ask for the follow items during the Town fiscal year 2023 budget process: monument cleaning all 3 cemeteries, treatment for Brown tail Moth at Walnut Hill Cemetery, white vinyl fence around the perimeter of the new section of Walnut Hill Cemetery.
- F. Meeting adjourned at 3:45PM.

Respectfully submitted.

Debbie Allen Grover, Clerk

Robert Wood 116 Milliken Road North Yarmouth ME 04097

October 28, 2021

Cemetary Commission North Yarmouth Maine

Dear Esteemed Commission.

By this letter, I am requesting permission to place a grade level marker in the confines of the Bowie Cemetery. I am NOT applying for a Right or Interment. The requested marker would merely attest that we lived in this area and would include birth and death dates.

I am willing to comply with any fees that the Commission think appropriate.

I am not getting any younger. This spring my twin brother died suddenly and I have realized some things should not be avoided. I realize that the Bowie Cemetery is not accepting any new members. I was hoping that it would accept a commemorative marker without any internment. (My ashes can easily be dispersed in a couple of more scenic places.) My feeling is that I would like a public marker stating that I lived here and hopefully contributed to the community. I always enjoy visiting the Bowie cemetery and seeing the names of those on the street that have passed before me. I guess it is the historian in me.

Thank you for considering this request.

Respectfully,

Robert Lewis Wood