

**Freetown Cemetery Commission**  
Minutes of the Monday, May 4, 2015 Meeting  
Town Hall, 3 North Main Street, Assonet, Mass.



**Present:** Keven Desmarais and Mike McCue.

**Absent:** Adrienne Levesque.

**Call to order:** Mike McCue called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

No minutes were received.

**Reorganize**

A motion was made by Mr. Desmarais, seconded by Mr. McCue, that Mr. McCue continue as chairman. The motion carried unanimously.

**FY16 Budget & Bids**

Due to the illness of the Town Accountant, this item was postponed until Monday, May 18th at 4:00 p.m.

**Trees**

Mr. McCue said trees had been taken down in several places where necessary. He asked about the tree at the Plummer Burial Ground, and Mr. Desmarais said he would speak with Marc St. Laurent about how that would be finished now that the field is off limits for the year.

The Dean Family Cemetery at Camp Welch was also discussed. Mr. McCue noted that there were several smaller trees down in and around the cemetery. Mr. Desmarais agreed to talk with someone at the camp to see if they would tidy up or provide a letter allowing the Cemetery Commission to clean the area.

**Assonet Burying Ground**

Discussion was held on the flag pole, and all agreed to make a goal of putting the flag pole up before Memorial Day. It was also agreed to see if the Boy Scouts would take on the task. If not able to, then the backup will be to approach the Highway Department.

No discussion was held on relocating the shed as there is no money for this badly needed work. Brief discussion was held on repairing headstones, and Jeff King will be asked to look at the stones that others have been wary to repair.

Discussion was held on the repairs to the fenced lots. All felt the work by the students from Old Colony was excellent, but it would not be possible to continue for the time being due to lack of funds. On consensus, it was agreed to look into replacing the broken rails with plastic tubing or some other, cheaper material that would give the proper appearance without breaking the bank. Mr. Desmarais noted the broken rails could be a safety hazard, so this work will be given high priority.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting was noted as Monday, May 18th.

**Meeting Adjourned**

A motion was made by Mr. Desmarais, seconded by Mr. McCue, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

This is a True Record by me.

Attest: Michael T. McCue, Chairman