Freetown Cemetery Commission

Minutes of the Monday, July 27, 2009 Meeting Town Barn, 201 Chace Rd., East Freetown, Mass.

Present: Adrianne Levesque and Mike McCue.

Absent: Ralph Gurney.

Call to order: Chairman Mike McCue called the meeting to order at 7:10p.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of June 15th were received and read by Mr. McCue. Upon a motion made by Mrs. Levesque, seconded by Mr. McCue, the minutes were approved as read. The motion carried unanimously.

Assessors' Maps

A list of cemeteries has been turned over to the Assessors for mapping.

Assonet Burying Ground

Mr. McCue reported that Albanese Monuments of Westport has begun repairing broken headstones, and is doing exceptional work.

The issue of lawnmowing was discussed briefly. It was noted that the grass in the cemetery was presently getting tall. Mr. McCue also noted that Section 35 still has not been mowed, despite repeated requests. It was decided to have the next meeting around the beginning of September to put together information for soliciting quotes.

Roger Guimond has begun taking down the trees to the northeast of the present clearing for Section 35. Mr. McCue noted there was a boulder further to the east, and it was suggested that the area around this boulder be turned into a memorial for all veterans buried in the cemetery. This will be discussed further at a future meeting.

East Freetown Cemetery

Owing to the rain and vacations, Dave Cass has not yet been contacted.

Evans Cemetery

Mr. McCue reported that Merrill Snell repaired the post and chain across the driveway to the cemetery.

Mother's Brook Graveyard

Fall River's City Administrator, Adam Chapdelaine, is still working on this issue. However, it appears someone is mowing and tending the cemetery again.

Richmond Cemetery

Mr. McCue reported that Greg Myers had not done any work in this cemetery by the June 30th deadline, and so \$200.00 set aside in the FY09 budget to pay for this work had been returned to the General Fund. He suggested that the work in this cemetery be turned over to Wallace DeMoranville, owing to the excellent work Mr. DeMoranville did in the Winslow Cemetery. Mrs. Levesque agreed, and the matter passed by consensus.

Veterans Cemetery

Mr. McCue mentioned running across some newspaper articles from 2002 related to an attempt at creating a national cemetery somewhere in town. Mrs. Levesque agreed to check with the Veterans Agent to find out what he might know about this and if there was anything we could do to help revive it.

Winslow Cemetery

Mr. McCue noted the Winslow Cemetery looked spectacular. An effort will be made to tend to this cemetery at least twice a year to keep it from growing over again.

Next Meeting

A meeting will be posted for Monday, August 31, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Barn.

Meeting Adjourned

Upon motion of Mrs. Levesque, duly seconded by Mr. McCue, the board voted to adjourn at 7:31p. The motion carried unanimously.

This is a True Record by me.	
Attest:	
Attost.	Michael T. McCue, Chairman