



Town of Freetown

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 8, 1996

A meeting of the Cemetery Commissioners for the town of Freetown was held in the Town Hall at 7:30p.m. on October 8, 1996. Present were Harriet Parker, Harris Chace and Ralph Gurney. Mrs. Eleanor Chace was a visitor. No one else sat in on the meeting.

The minutes for the meeting of May 14, 1996 were read and approved.

In a general discussion we updated each other on progress. Mr. Simmons has been very busy and did not get to our cemetery roads but he, Ralph and Ray Chace know what is needed and we hope to get some gravel fill in the new roads going in to serve sections 23 & 24. Mr. Simmons has seen the damage to our entrance road caused by the culvert being put under it a few years ago. I believe he will work on it this spring of 1997.

Hopefully we can move forward with the new section.

Mrs. Parker is working with David Cass to get an updated map of Section 18. Hoping to go and get individual maps for sections 7 & 13. When these were put on the computer we found conflicting numbers. David is very busy but we keep trying. She is also trying to add the Perpetual Care Friends.

We discussed the role of computers in our records and the need of someone who is computer literate on the Board.

We discussed some of the old cemeteries – and the setting of a pole near the Winslow Cemetery on Locust. This is a private cemetery but we did get the notice of the new development going in there.

It was voted that Ralph Gurney would represent us the October 17th meeting of department heads as he has to go as Tree Warden anyway. We do not anticipate any need for an article for the Special Town Meeting of November 12, 1996 at 7:00 p.m. at Freetown Elementary School. We also got what we asked for at the regular town meeting - so do not have to ask for an adjustment from the extra money now available.

We have almost \$3,000 of our Special Account money which we have not spent, so are all right until spring.

We discussed the problem of emptying cemetery barrels. Peter Borges is worried about the dirt that people throw in with their flower pots. Marc St. Laurent has a suggestion for composting some of our flower debris and Ralph Gurney will look into it.

The next meeting will be on December 10, 1996 at 7:30p.m. Mrs. Parker to clear this with the Town Hall staff.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitte,
Harriett C. Parker, Clerk