



# Town of Freetown

## **CEMETERY COMMITTEE**

Minutes of March 23, 1999

A meeting of the Cemetery Commissioners for the town of Freetown was held at 7:00p.m. at the home of Mrs. Robert Parker, 15 Chace Road in East Freetown on March 23, 1999. It was attended by Ralph E. Gurney, Harris H. Chace and Harriett C. Parker and Mrs. Harris Chace sat in. This was a sort of preliminary meeting to the 1999 summer season to tie up loose ends on the 1998 mowing season and to make plans for the coming graving season spring and summer of 1999.

We signed some bills for Ralph Gurney, the money to come from the Site Improvement Fund for the Assonet Burying Ground. These had to do with the new gate for the compost area on the west edge. There are a few more things to do there, then the gate will be locked, with keys to Marc, Ralph and Harris. Marc has brought in some wood chips to cover the tires and plastic that someone dumped there. We will also plan to do some stumping and clearing on the north edge as indicated at last meeting. The grass is coming up on the rectangle nearest Rte. 24 and will be the next area to be surveyed and made available for sale of lots. This work is under Site Improvement – No. 5840 Capital Outlay.

We had the reading of the minutes of the December 15, 1998 meeting. These were approved. We checked over available money for rest of 1999 F.Y. and must see what will be available for F.Y. 2000.

For F.Y. 1999 we want to be sure that Marc St.Laurent uses up his 5242 fund of \$700.00 in Assonet on tree work on entrances and some on Richmond Cemetery. There is some P.C. there. Get him right on it. Michael Westgate has \$655.00 left of town money and some P.C. on Morton Cemetery. Use only \$100.00 of that now \$655 must be used by June 30<sup>th</sup> town money. P.C. money on Morton can go to Dec. 31, 1999 interest on P.C. Talk to him. Town Cemetery in E.F. and Morton go together.

For F.Y. 2000 we will get new funds – cemetery interest on P.C. for Y \$2000., New appropriation for 5241 and 5242 accounts and another \$3000 to add to #5840 capital improvements plus what is left of \$1776 lay over from F.Y. 1999. (\$1776.35 – 2 gate bills Ralph turned in. I think that's it.

Mrs. Chase and I plan to mark burials in Assonet Burial Grounds as I have done for Chace Cemetery as things warm up.

We discussed John Ashley's plan for cemetery on Dr. Braley Rd. on Heath land. He wants to take over from Dwight Heath. He is getting together a cemetery board. Tentative Andrew Springer, president, Paul Sadeck, treasurer, Dick Spencer, Auditor, and others. We should sort of follow up on that.

Other items noted. Harris's car phone 789-2725. Ralph reported soil sour in Assonet Burying Ground. Has bought fertilizer and lime. I gave them copies of the F.Y. 2000 Budget Requests for Cemetery Comm. and the Article for Warrant.

Next meeting April 27, 1999 at 7:00 at 15 Chace Road.

Respectfully submitted

Harriett C. Parker, Clerk