

EDGARTOWN CEMETERY COMMISSION

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

Meeting at Edgartown Firehouse Museum. Site visit to New Westside Cemetery cancelled due to heavy rain.

Susan Brown, Liz Villard, Andy Kelly(called away on emergency for part of meeting), Jen Morgan

All are in agreement that the Personnel Board understood our message and concerns and gave us good suggestions. Before we write to the Selectmen, we need to get estimates for the leaf work, tree work and further develop our long range plans. Estimates must be from companies that are legitimate, legal and insured. We have agreed that one full time person is needed.

Liz speaks about the CPA Grant. The application will be submitted on Friday. The amount requested will be increased from \$5K to \$7.5K. The expert will be on Island sometime in late October/early November. There is a \$10.00 per grave evaluation. Maps of the cemeteries with areas marked to be done need to be prepared for the consultant. Liz asks that Jen meet the consultant.

Perhaps some work can be done in house, such as washing of gravestones, after instruction is received from consultant. Alan Gowell might be asked to do work, in which case he will be paid. Amount of work to be done by off island expert to be determined.

Jeffers Cemetery Discussion. How much did we(ECC) agree to pay for plaque? Liz suggests we(ECC) pay for 1/2 the cost, approximately \$500.00. Monies to come from Perpetual Care Account. Dedication: Summer 2015, during the Wampanoag Summer Smudge Ceremony, which is attended by about 50 people.

Martin gravestone discussion. Needs to be returned to it's original position. Liz will contact Elaine Weintraub(MVRHS, African American Trail Head)

regarding this matter.

September 9, 2014 minutes accepted. When will the shed sign happen?

Wasp infected trees discussed. Some trees will come back after treatment. Should we try this first or cut and replant? Difficult to get Bob Hagerty on site as he is always busy.

Superintendent's Report: good feedback on shell work. Andy asks when will the rest be done. Andy suggests that shell bill(\$4K) be paid from Perpetual Care Account.

Jen reports 1 funeral in September and 4, so far, in October.

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 21, 2014, 2PM at Town Hall