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Approved Minutes
Green Mount Cemetery Board of Commissioners

Date and Time:

April 23, 2018. Meeting called to order at 12:02 by Jake Brown.

Location:

Memorial Room, City Hall

Members/Public Present:

Linda Berger, Jake Brown, Darragh Ellerson, Meri Nielsen, Patrick Healy

Members Absent:

Minutes From Last Meeting:

Minutes of 3/19/18 were approved.

Chair's Report:

City is not posting for a replacement Community Service Department Head. Currently all of the departments report to Sue Allen, are continuing to work together, and have individual department heads. This past winter Patrick helped plow the Senior Center.

Director's Report:

- Patrick shared the City of Montpelier Staff Guide to the Open Meeting & Public Records Request Laws. We will submit our meeting agendas and our draft and approved minutes to Jamie, the Assistant City Manager, for posting on the website. Agendas will be posted at least 2 days in advance of the meeting, and draft minutes will be posted within 5 days of the meeting. Approved minutes will be posted within 2 days.
- Update on activities at the cemetery:
 - Carl returned from Public Works the Week of April 16.
 - The Prison Crew is anticipated to be back on May 7.
 - Someone is providing 80 hours of community service in the cemetery.
 - Burials- 3 this past weekend.
 - Green Burial updates. We are calling our "Green Burials" "Natural Burials" as this more accurately reflects the practice. Green Burials are a topic of discussion at two upcoming cemetery association meetings that Patrick will be attending; The Vermont Cemetery Association Meeting on 5/2/18, and the New England Association Meeting on 6/19/18.
 - We have had a few requests for Natural Burials so far this year. Jon Boucher of Guere is wondering if at some point in the future Green Mount would have a specific section for those burials.

-Investment. Peggy Munro will meet with this Commission by conference call, at our next meeting, on 5/21/18, to discuss our Vanguard account.

Other:

- Patrick will contact the AOE archaeologist to see about using ground radar in the cemetery. He is aware of someone in NH who does ground radar and drones for mapping and geologic information.
- The landslide in back of the garage is stable. Patrick has the old drain marked and it will be dug up. The city will loan us an excavator and then we can replace the old drain with a bigger drain which will make that entire area drier.
- We discussed increased signage to encourage people to drive appropriately and to clean up after their dogs. We decided to keep the closes at dusk sign up and to monitor the other two concerns.

Meeting adjourned:

We adjourned at 12:50. Motion was moved by Charlie Wiley and seconded by Darragh Ellerson.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Berger, Secretary