

Approved: 11/15/22

Paxton Cemetery Commission
Meeting Minutes from September 20, 2022
The John Bauer Senior Center, Activity Room
17 West Street, Paxton, MA 01612

Present:

- ✓ **Chairperson:** Joanna A.H. MacGugan (JM)
- ✓ **Vice-Chairperson:** Brian Brosnihan (BB)
- ✓ **Clerk:** Christopher D. Stone (CS)
- ✓ **Director of Public Works:** Travis Thibault (TT)
- ✓ **DPW Administrative Assistant:** Tiffany Sidhom

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Subject	Discussion	Decision/Recommendation
Meeting Minutes	Review Meeting Minutes from the August 16, 2022 meeting.	Motion (CS) seconded (JM) to approve the minutes as written.
Mooreland Cemetery – Maintenance Update	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. DPW has begun removing a lot of the larger, dead shrubs. Will look at removing the dead trees next time they have the bucket truck.2. Quotes for arborvitaes are between \$60-250 per shrub. (TT) would like to hold off until Spring and see what the prices are like.3. Review headstone request from Edward and Vivian Clarke.4. Review headstone request from Howard McGinn.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Commission approved.4. Commission would like to see the stone within stated size requirements.
Mooreland Cemetery – Lot Information Cards	Continues to be a work in progress.	

Center Cemetery – Maintenance Update	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There was a recent car accident that resulted in damage to the stone wall and some stones. 2. Headstone request from Mr. Dewey and his sister. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Insurance has been contacted. Historic Gravestone Services provided a quote for the stone repair. Need a mason to provide a quote for the stone wall repair. 2. Commission approves the request.
Center Cemetery – Grave Stone Restoration Update	Continues to be a work in progress.	Historic Commission and Library should get copies of the completed reports to archive.
Center Cemetery – Grave Markers Preservation	Continues to be a work in progress.	
Center Cemetery – Historic Walk with Historical Commission Update	Still looking into options for actors. Paxton Days may be an optional date.	
Other Business – Green Cemetery Meeting on October 22, 2022	Meeting is postponed. (JM) will advise when she hears more.	
New Business	Commission reviewed edits to the Rules and Regulations, which included adding language to make sure that paperwork and payment is provided prior to burials.	Commission approved edits.
Public Comments	None.	
Next Meeting		October 18, 2022 (Subject to Change)
Adjournment		Motion (CS) seconded (JM) to adjourn at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tiffany Sidhom', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Tiffany Sidhom, DPW Administrative Assistant

