

**TOWN OF LUDLOW
BOARD OF CEMETERY COMMISSION**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, April 16, 2008

Board Members Present:

Herbert B. VanGuilder, Chairman
John Paige
Nataile Gruber, Flowers Chair
Ludwig Gabranski
Brett Sanderson, Vice Chair & Clerk

Staff Present:

Jamie Farquhar, Sexton, Eugene Dean

Guest Speaker:

Harry Fisher VT Old Cemetery Association

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Vice Chair, Herb VanGuilder.

Approve Minutes:

Motion by John Paige to approve the minutes of March 18, 2008 meeting as read.
Seconded by Nataile Gruber. So voted.

Comments From Citizens:

None present.

Elect Vice Chair of Cemetery Commission

Motion by Nataile 2nd by John to elect Bret Sanderson as Vice Chairman. So voted.

Guest Speaker

Guest speaker Harry Fisher spoke on behalf of the VT Old Time Cemetery Association. Mr. Fisher introduced the Commissioners to the founders and purpose of the VOCA; Mr. Fisher noted he is a Cemetery Commissioner in Weston, VT. In Weston they allow up to four cremations on a regular full lot site of 4 x 10. Mr. Fisher noted Cemetery Commissioners are fully in charge of all Cemetery functions. Many items of interest were discussed with Mr. Fisher. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Fisher for his presentation.

Cemetery Charges Review

Sexton James Farquhar noted that the price of corner stones had increased. He noted Josh Adams will be called back if interested for summer employment.

Eugene noted some monuments had been pushed over; this action was reported to Chief Billings of the Ludlow Police Dept. Chief Billings noted the Police Dept will be locking the gates at night.

Discussion on lot sizes for cremations and policy booklets were discussed. Louie Gabranski noted he would be in favor of four cremations for full size lots. Most of the Board felt the policy booklet had been redone two years ago but no record could be found.

Chairman VanGuilder noted he would check with other communities as to their policies. Chairman VanGuilder noted upon completion of the policy booklet he would make sure a new printing would be accomplished after final review by the Cemetery Commissioners.

Adjourn:

Motion by John Paige to adjourn. Seconded by Nataile Gruber. So voted.

Meeting Adjourned 7:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brett Sanderson
Vice Chair & Clerk

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John Paige

Nataile Gruber, Flowers Chair

Ludwig Gabranski