Sharps Meeting June 9, 2025

Attendees -Pam Goffinet, Dan Sekowski, Mary Voshell. – Recording Secretary Special Guest Allen Helsel Old Drawyers Church Cemetery in Odessa

Regrets from Jerry Hendricks

Checking account has \$7,392.11 one check to Nathan for mowing in May \$1500

Check received for Gregg burial last week. Gregg family stones were cleaned and soil filled around stones. Site looks good after the burial with sod replaced. Jerry seeded the area front and back of stones.

Old Drawyers open house on June 1 was a success with 118 attending and money raised. Cadaver dogs were there and impressed visitors.

Sartin Memorials and Absolute Granite Liquidators in St. Georges (cornerstones) are going out of business. This leaves our current orders for Mitchell and Poorman stones in question. No one is answering phone calls. There is a potential sale in the works so we will bide our time before seeking a new supplier which could considerably increase the cost of the stones.

Dan provided additional information on creating meadows which could be a considerable investment, but will cut down on ground maintenance of mowing and trimming in the future. The benefits of fine fescue and tall fescue were discussed along with seeding vs. bulbs. Timing of September and October are now the best to prepare the area and place sod which is the best option. Dan will get some pricing for us as we plan a natural area in the North Section that will compliment green burials. Bird houses with green roofs and additional plants that support natural growth were discussed.

A second field trip to Longwood is planned to view the meadows through the seasons. Information will be shared for those who wish to attend.

Next Meeting July 14 @ 7pm