

Sharp's Cemetery Board of Directors Meeting – 4/8/19

Attendees: Tom Swan, Charles Moore, Jerry Hendricks, Pam Goffinet, Franklin Mackie, Aimee Martin and Vince Dougherty.

- **Repair needed.** Betty got a call from the Pencek family with a concern about a depression in their lot. (Jerry checked the next day and it had been filled).
- **Lot sales.** Tom sold a lot to Kathy and Brian Fielder, Above the Driveway, Row 32, Lot 3 for \$1850. There was a concern that old graves could be in that area, but previous probes found none. Tom did not have a copy of the Rules and Regulations with him so Pam will send them along with the deed. Pam will also include the website address on the deed where the Rules and Regulations can be found.
- **Tax forms.** Tom has yet to file the nonprofit tax form for this year, but it will be identical to last year and will do it online ASAP.
- **Tree replacement.** Tom called Sam Brown but he currently has no inventory and could order trees but does not have time to plant them. Other vendors were discussed, and Franklin offered to follow up. Eric will remove the three remaining trees for \$325.
- **Gravesite excavation.** We received from Debbie Stork the costs of excavations by Cooper Wilbert Vault Co. and the prices Elkton Cemetery charges (attached). It appears they are realizing a \$500 markup. Most other cemeteries also charge for excavations, so it seems we have been missing an income opportunity. Tom will check with Cooper to see if we get the same prices and ask West Nottingham Cemetery what procedure they use.
- **Finances.** Pam presented possibly the last monthly statement from Morgan Stanley. \$500 was deposited from the lot sale to Brian McCandless and the account value rose an additional \$900. Pam

received the balance of \$1350 for the McCandless sale but will hold off depositing it since we are transferring our funds to Fidelity.

- **Corner stones.** The three sets of M stones have not been ordered yet and in addition, we now need a set of Fs so we will wait until they arrive to install those as well as the ones we received several months ago.
- **Cleanup.** All Christmas decorations and non-permitted items were removed on March 14 and so far have received no complaints.
- **Database.** Jerry reported on the ongoing project to consolidate all Sharps Cemetery records to a secure but accessible site. The format has changed several times since initiation in 2012 and now the documents are being hosted by Google and the headstone photos remain with Flickr. The transfer of information has just begun but all board members, and only board members, have been given access. When the original photos were taken of the headstones, GPS coordinates were not recorded so Jerry has started over by taking new photos using an iPhone so that GPS info is automatically included. One of the original challenges was how to separate public vs. private information but that has been resolved with having the public info posted only on the Flickr photos.
- **Damaged headstone.** Jerry discovered that a very old marble headstone located at the curve of the driveway was run over by a truck. He was able to recover two large pieces and took them to Abba Monuments to see if it can be repaired. A preventative barrier on the corners seems in order and as part of the tree replacement we will include adding trees to the vulnerable corners.
- **Bylaws.** Tom has only been able to find a draft copy of proposed By-Laws but will further search the files he has.

Submitted by Jerry Hendricks

Next meeting on May 13, 2019



Cemetery Grave Digging Fees 2014

Cooper Wilbert Vault Co.

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Opening and Closing of Grave*	\$ 450.00
Opening and Closing of Grave Double Depth*	\$ 550.00
Greens & Device	\$ 65.00
Tent	\$ 65.00
Saturday Charge	
Before 1pm	\$ 50.00
After 1pm	\$ 125.00
Sunday and Holiday Charge	\$ 250.00
Monument Removal	\$ 90.00
Foundation Installation	.50 sq. in. \$ 150.00 minimum charge
Ledger Removal, reinstallation, and foundation	\$ 700.00
Opening and Closing of Cremation Graves	\$ 265.00
Opening and Closing of Dble. Cremation Graves	\$ 300.00
Opening and Closing of Infant Graves	\$ 200.00
Opening and Closing of Private Mausoleums	\$ 400.00
Hand Dug Graves	\$ 800.00

*If Cooper Wilbert Vault Co., does not have the vault, there will be a \$200.00 backfill fee.

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April 18, 2014

Dear Funeral Director,

Effective May 1, 2014 there will be an increase in prices. **Cooper Wilbert Vault Company of Delaware** will be our primary provider.

\$1100.00 single new grave with corner markers
\$950.00 single grave opening and closing
\$1500.00 double depth grave opening and closing
\$350.00 baby grave – Requires a Combination Unit
\$350.00 Cremation Grave
\$350.00 baby or cremains grave opening and closing

If graves are dug by Cooper and burial vaults and services are provided by others, the additional charge will be \$200.00 Monday through Saturday; infant and cremains an additional \$50.00. If the service is on Sunday, the fee is an additional \$250.00; on Saturday an additional \$125.00. These charges are billed to the cemetery.

Kindly make payments within 72 hours of the service. Graves must be paid for at time of purchase.

All foundation and stone work **must** contact the cemetery prior to installation in order for us to update our records.

Please contact Deborah S. Storke at the above number if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Deborah S. Storke
Treasurer/Secretary