Sharps Meeting June 19, 2023

Attendees: Tom Swan., Jerry Hendricks., Pam Goffinet., Mary Voshell. – Recording Secretary

Tom will contact the two funeral homes most frequently dealt with, Hicks and R. T. Foard, to have the burial transfer slips and checks sent to directly to Pam rather than him. Other funeral homes will be notified of this change when contact is made.

Four urn burials may be completed by one individual before a 1099 is required. Pam's husband, Jerry and Mary are the closest to the cemetery and will provide the service as needed for convenience. Diggers are paid when fee is received.

Upcoming urn burial for Bart Mackie with a plaque to also be installed. No date has been given yet, but Jerry will take this one if he is available.

Previous request for urn burial on Carroll lot has not been scheduled. Jerry marked the location, but no further communication has been received from the family regarding a date.

Mowing invoice received from Maddox for \$1750 for 5 sessions. It is noted that the soil condition is poor and fertilizing with aerating and fall seeding is recommended. All attendees agree this is needed and to have this done.

A work day is needed for tombstone repair, filling in of sinking graves and recovery of sinking corner stones. It was suggested that a small amount of gravel or landscape type small stones be added when installing corner stones. It will not prevent the future sinking, but will slow it down considerably. Mary has volunteered her tractor with front end loader for ease in moving dirt to needed locations and possibly lifting sinking monuments.

Decorations rules need to be enforced and flags will be removed as well. No easy way to inform lot owners since e-mail addresses have only recently been collected. Posting a sign or a copy of the regulations may be needed. This rule will be highlighted with new sales upon deed creation.

Jerry investigated the availability of chains for the posts installed. It was agreed that powder coated metal. He has placed the order and with tax the total is \$269.30. Another supplier sells the chain at \$5.40 per foot if additional length is needed to provide the proper "droop" between the posts. Jerry will order the material and provide the install with assistance as needed. A call out for the use of existing bolt cutters is needed for the install.

Tom will order the needed cornerstones and a list was finalized. A work day will be planned for install once the stones are received. Mary will be selling two double lots now deeded to her and her sister which will provide a needed V and S set of stones that will not need to be ordered. 6x6 inch stones with a single letter of last name, etched are to be ordered. The possible need to increase the prices was discussed and will be determined by the cost of the order.

Mary is working on the revised procedure manual and will be sending a rough draft to Pam for edit very soon. A review of the document with all committee members will be needed for missing information and clarity once completed. Green burial information will be added to the document.

It appears that the drought has taken the roses, but the other plants seem to be doing well.

There have been no new inquiries from the web.

Next meeting July 17th at 7 pm.