Brookfield Cemetery Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes May 10th 2018

Meeting was called to Order at 7 PM

Present: Trustees: Rick Surette, Judy Lewis.....Alternate: Craig Evans Roberta Holland excused.

Guest: Marilou Maclean. David Newman and Christine Brudevold

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Secretary's Report: A motion was made by Craig Evans and seconded by Rick Surette to accept the report as written. The motion carried.

Communications: An e-mail was received from Christine Brudevold requesting possible changes in plot sites. A short discussion was held and the logistics will be worked out. A discussion was held regarding sizes and types of monuments.

An e-mail was received from Bob Nielsen regarding the placement of birdhouses in the cemetery donated by the Conservation Committee. See New Business.

Old Business: Tree Fertilizing: No bill yet, but they may have been done or will be done shortly.

Entrusted graveyards: Craig and Rick visited the entrusted graveyards this past month to show Cory Pike the work which would need to be done at each site. Cary will bill monthly and will submit a voucher for each of the entrusted graveyards. Cory request \$30.00/ hour. This price was agreeable to all Trustees present. Craig will contact Cory.

Mowing: Cory will seed the New Cemetery and will fertilize later in the season.

Craig Evans has been appointed as an Alternate Trustee until 2019.

Memorial Area: Excavation was started today by Roland Kinville . Rick Surette supervised the work. Work is expected to be finished tomorrow.

A lengthy discussion was held regarding the type of monuments and prices which have been researched this past month. It appears the 5 various stones representing each armed forces would total between 8-10 thousand dollars. The Trustees seem to favor the cut granite from Swensons. The Trustees prefer a more natural look and not having it polished. The estimate was for 4 foot monuments and we prefer something much less tall. Decisions will be made as more information is gathered.

Flagpole: Judy will check to make sure the price on the flagpole remain the same and check on the solar light and size of the foundation for the base.

New Business: Marilou Maclean stated that \$200 has been donated to be used for the Memorial area.

Bird Houses: An e-mail was as described in the communication section. The e-mail was read and discussed at length. The decision to decline this generous offer was based on the ongoing planning and unknowns. Judy will send an e-mail advising Bob of the decision.

Flowers for the cemeteries. It was decided that both the historic and new cemetery will have a large pot of flowers placed in a visible area. Craig will pick up a planter. Judy will get the flowers and place them.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Lewis