

Somers Cemetery Committee
Special meeting
January 8, 2009 – 2:30 p.m.
Lower Conference Room – Town Hall

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order @ 2:37 p.m.

Present – Carole Pyne, Ed Sullivan, George Warner and Irene Percoski

Guests - Lisa Coope and Greg Simmons – Treasurer's Office, J.D'Aleo

2. DISCUSS PLANNING OF CENTER CEMETERY

In response to correspondence from Cemetery Committee Chairperson to Griever & Ward dated 12/3/08 and 12/11/08 (both letters identical) requesting info as committee considering further surveys of Center Cemetery. Sections 5,2,4 and 7 being areas for expansion.

According to phone/written information received from Mr. Ward – suggests develop balance of land, survey, etc.,- make ready for sale – size of grave lots should be 11-4 in new plots-we have 9.4 acres left. Mr. Ward would charge \$20,000 to plan, design and landscape 2.3 acres.

Committee in unison- not promising any action until property is looked at – maps shows one area possible wetland- if any land sold as ex: 40 lots, buyer must be responsible for survey, design and landscaping and must present layout to committee for approval who would advise 40 lots purchased could be reduced some after plot is treated – to be aware of loss.

Section 5-1.88 acres – 50 graves –after survey, etc. may end with 40 maximum.

Consideration may be given to develop Section 5 as a cremation area – this strip of land abuts plot owned by Lipton – too, consider using this area for a Columbaria.

No decisions made – to be re-considered at next meeting.

Mr. D'Aleo advised Committee to deal with whatever vacant lots in developed areas before further development of land left. Too, deed given to purchasers should be revised –taking out words “owned” and replacing with words “burial rights”.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Percoski
Secretary