

## GRAND ISLE CEMETERY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

January 14, 2025, 4:30 p.m., Grand Isle Town Office

Meeting was called to order by Valerie Hunter, Chair, at 4:30 p.m.

Commissioners present: Brian Allen, Lucille Campbell, Valerie Hunter, Sue Lawrence, Suzanne Sauv .

Guests: None

Additions or deletions to the agenda:

Lucille mentioned that the Perpetual Care Trust Fund CD is due for renewal in February. Sue just received the statement and verified that the maturity date is Feb. 19, 2025. We will act on this at the February 11 meeting.

Sue moved to accept the minutes of December 10, 2024 with corrections. Brian seconded. All in favor.

Administrative report:

Financial Report: The Hanson Fund monies have been received in the amount of \$461.04. There remains \$17,027.43 in the town appropriation. Other amounts are: Perpetual Care Trust Fund CD: \$18,828.87; Money Market account: \$72,921.88 and Land Improvements CD: \$102,372.46. Discussion as to whether to move funds from the Money Market to a CD. Consensus was to wait until we have more information about the cost of remedying the culvert and drainage issue.

Lawn Care: The final bill for \$2,868.75 for fall clean-up was received from Ron Bushway and has been paid.

Burials and Lot Sales: One lot was sold.

Drainage at Rt 2. Sue spoke to Brad Sheridan of the town highway department about doing the drainage and culvert work at the Grand Isle Village Cemetery if the State won't do it. Brad will speak to someone at the State Highway Department since the issue is in the State highway right-of-way.

Lawn care contract was discussed. Sue will ask Ron Bushway if his hourly rate will remain the same for another year. If not, we will request bids in February for the April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026 term.

Cemetery Report for the Town Report needs to be to Melissa by the end of January. Brief discussion of the draft. Lucille will rework the report.

Discussion concerning the Auditor's advice that the Cemetery monies be put in the town General Fund, and the town attorney's response to the Selectboard concerning questions about the perpetual care funds. The Commissioners are willing to meet with the Selectboard

to assure them that all money is in the proper funds, is used as designated, and is not commingled.

Lucille gave a brief overview of the Selectboard's discussion about using the Otter AI program for generating minutes of board and commission meetings instead of the ZOOM AI feature. Lucille does not feel that AI is accurate enough, needs editing and would be more time-consuming. The commissioners agreed.

Brian moved to adjourn. Sue seconded. Passed. Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.  
Next meeting is February 11, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lucille Campbell, Recording Secretary