

Meeting of the Cemetery Commission
Monday June 12, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.
Bristol Historical Society, 98 Summer Street, Bristol, CT 06010

ATTENDEES: Chairman Michael Saman
Commissioner Thomas LaPorte
Commissioner Nicole LaPorte
Council Member Panioto

ABSENT: Commissioner Stanley Piotrowski
Commissioner Linda Arbesman

1. Call to Order

Chairman Saman called the meeting to order at 5:36 pm.

2. Public Participation

None.

3. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Thomas LaPorte to accept the May 8, 2023 meeting minutes as written.

Seconded by Commissioner Nicole LaPorte.

All in favor; motion passed

4. Old Business by Commissioners

- Lantern Tour set for Oct 6th & 7th, with a rain date of Oct 8th, 2023.
 - The Commission discussed the dates for the 2023 Lantern Tours and Chairman Saman stated that the tours have been scheduled with the West Cemetery.
- Wreaths Across America set for Saturday at noon on December 16, 2023 at North Cemetery.
 - The Commission discussed the dates for the 2023 Wreath Across America event.
- Grave stones in Mine Brook - Pending
 - No updates.
- Vandalism at one of Bristol's Historic Cemeteries Downs - Pending
 - The tree has been taken down and the fence has been replaced.

5. New Business by Commissioners

- Updates on the Civil War Monument in West Cemetery. Conservation needs. State Historic Register.
 - Christoph provided Chairman Saman with a copy of the liability insurance. Everyone who will be involved with the removal/restoration of the eagle has been contacted. Christoph would like to evaluate the monument within the next few weeks.

- Schall & Staub Enterprises working on the “Iron Fence” grave site at North Cemetery.
 - The Commission should be receiving a \$2,000 bill withing the next few weeks. The fence should be completed and installed soon.
- The paperwork for locating gravestones at North Cemetery was given out. The Cemetery Commission will now be correcting it so it can be given out and put on the internet. QR codes on selected cemetery stones will be included plus other information that’s collected.
 - Chairman Saman provided the Commission with the information on Lewis Street Cemetery. Once the information on Lewis Street Cemetery is posted the Commission will focus on several other cemeteries. The Commission discussed the logistics of placing QR codes on stones.

6. Any other business proper to come before the meeting.

None.

7. Adjournment.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Nicole LaPorte to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 pm.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner Thomas LaPorte.

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mike Saman, Chairman