

Meeting of the Cemetery Commission
Monday August 12, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.
Bristol Historical Society, 98 Summer Street, Bristol, CT 06010

ATTENDEES: Chairman Michael Saman
Commissioner Linda Arbesman
Commissioner Thomas LaPorte

ABSENT: Commissioner Stanley Piotrowski
Council Member Panioto

1. Call to Order

Chairman Saman called the meeting to order at 5:42 pm.

2. Public Participation

None.

3. Approval of June 10, 2024 Minutes – Regular Meeting

MOTION: Made by Commissioner LaPorte to accept the June 10, 2024 meeting minutes as written.

Seconded by Commissioner Arbesman.
All in favor; motion passed

4. Old Business by Commissioners

- Chairman Saman reviewed the Cemetery Commission's account balances that were sent by Jodi McGrane.

5. New Business by Commissioners

- Updates on the Civil War Monument in West Cemetery. Conservation needs. State Historic Register.
 - The Eagle was returned to the monument and Chairman Saman sent everything to the Comptroller's Office to finalize the payments to Christoph.
- Look for Grants to finish Civil War Monument
 - Chairman Saman spoke with the Main Street Foundation, and they are unable to set up a donation platform. The Commission will continue to look into other avenues of funding.
- 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.
 - No updates.
- Review Lawn Care Contract

- The Commission will focus on Lewis Street Cemetery first. Commission members will visit the cemetery on September 8th at 1:00pm to review and tag broken/knocked over stones that could be fixed when DAR visits the cemetery on October 12th. Commissioner Arbesman notified the commission that the Wreaths Across American even is scheduled for Saturday December 14, 2024.

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

This year's Lantern Tours are scheduled for October 5th & 6th. The rain dates will be the following weekend.

7. Adjournment.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Arbesman to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 pm.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner LaPorte.

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mike Saman, Chairman