

## **Town of Oak Bluffs Cemetery Commissioners Minutes**

**May 18, 2011**

**Commissioners Present: Jesse B Law III, Linda Wilson and John Tiernan**

**Others Present: Nicole L Morey, Richard Combra JR, Gail Landers and David Crispin**

**Minutes approved: November 18, 2010**

### Map 12 Lot 139

Nicole Morey advised that Aldric Swift of Swift Searches had uncovered the original map of the lot that his father had done in 1991 but never taken to the Registry of Deeds. She showed a copy of the map with the stamp that it had been registered. She advised that there would be invoices to be paid for his work.

### Surveying/Mapping discussion

Commissioners listened to David Crispin of BSC Group (a company that does cemetery design work). He said that his company could design new section and/or do surveying/mapping. He was advised that the Town would be putting work out to bid at some point.

He suggested the Town of Oak Bluffs Oak Grove Cemetery become members of the Mass Cemetery Association and encouraged the Commissioners to attend the New England Cemetery Association conference at the end of June. He said that he would send proposal to Nicole Morey after he attends the conference. He advised that the Board of Health would have to approve new areas for "the use of land for cemetery."

### Historical documents

Commissioner Wilson said that in June she hopes to have the cemetery books looked at by a professional.

### Cremation Lots

Foreman Landers said that the cremation lots are set in three (3) rows of seven (7) with 3 feet between each section. She said that no one has ever complained about it.

Commissioners Wilson and Tiernan discussed developing a memorial area where people could scattered ashes with just a stone maker or tree. Both said that they would look on line for ideas.

### Historical figures

Commissioner Wilson believes that the significant names she has found in Oak Grove Cemetery are:

- Claghorne – who signed/on board the Constitution?
- Dutcher
- Norton
- Benjamin Luce
- Peese?

### Office Building

Foreman Landers said that new wood is required around door as there are termites.

### Gail Landers retirement

Commissioner Law asked Foreman Landers if she would continue assisting with marking graves after she retired and the answer was no.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole L Morey  
Office Administrator