



CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

October 5, 2023, 4:00 p.m.

Meeting held in person at City Hall in Conference A
1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth, NH

Members Present: Co-Chair Susan Sterry, Celeste Brooks, Peter Splaine, Sue Polidura, and Michael Griffin

Staff Present: Suzanne M. Woodland, Deputy City Manager / Regulatory Counsel

1. Call to order at 4:02 p.m.
2. Roll Call of the Members as noted above.
3. **Motion:** Brooks moved to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2023, meeting. Seconded by Polidura. Approved unanimously.
4. Verbiage for reinternment review – Committee members reviewed and discussed edits to verbiage for reinternment signage as well as mounting options.
5. Signage on South Street cemeteries – Griffin described current status of signage for the cemeteries at South and Sagamore.
6. How to create more visibility in the community:
 - Sterry is working with Monte regarding continued communication. Brooks mentioned the website Atlas Obscura as a potential place to post about the historic cemeteries.
 - Discussion of potential library presentation as a way to get more interest.
 - Splaine suggested use of QR code for each cemetery that would take you to more information.
 - Polidura suggested signage for persons connected with attack on William and Mary
7. Other business – No other business.
8. Public Comment – No public comment.
9. Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 2, 2023

Motion: Griffin moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Polidura. All concurred. Adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes prepared by:
Suzanne Woodland, Deputy City Manager/Regulatory Counsel

Minutes Approved: November 2, 2023