## **Report of the Cemetery Commission**

Ed Hawes served as commission clerk. Jeff Joyce served as operations liaison. Jim Toth served as burial agent, chair, and archivist. The commission continues to meet monthly or more often as needed between spring and late fall. Winter meetings are only held upon special request.

George Roaf and Cody Ross mowed and trimmed the cemetery. The Matthews family continued its role as gravediggers.

The outlying Kelton-Moses Cemetery, Kilton Cemetery, Atwood Cemetery, Rich Cemetery, and Ward Cemetery all were inspected and lightly maintained during the year.

The suggested perpetual care donation for assignment of a lot remained \$750 for one lot with five gravesites or \$150 per grave. Other cemetery fees include a \$50 grave marking fee, a \$50 cremation grave opening fee, and a \$250 traditional grave opening fee. Fees are subject to change by a vote of the commission. The commission voted that all future assigned lots to be marked with four granite corner markers at the expense of the assignee.

Burials for the past year were:

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Travis Johnson Birch	Cremation	Sec 7 Lot 117
Kenneth E Matthews	Cremation	Sec 5 Lot 271
Ellen Agnes Tonjes Steiner	Cremation	Sec 5 Lot 287
Jane Noble Dunn Bryce	Cremation	Sec 7 Lot 136
Debra Ann Perkins	Cremation	Sec 6 Lot 75
Dorothy Parker Freeman	Cremation	Sec 7 Lot 125
Lois Turner	Cremation	Sec 7 Lot 125
Elva A Tarbell Johnson Procopio	Traditional	Sec 7 Lot 91
Marion Dorothy LeFleur Whipple	Cremation	Sec 3 Lot 238
Delene L Belado Chappel	Cremation	Sec 6 Lot 83
Charles F. Chappel Sr	Cremation	Sec 6 Lot 83
June Soule McKenna	Cremation	Sec 7 Lot 94
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The above burials generated \$925 of income and expense in the revolving digging fee account.

Total Commission stipends of \$600 were paid from Town Meeting appropriation.

The northerly three grave sites of Section 7 Lot 136 were assigned to Diana Noble & Brian Snell for \$450, the northerly two grave sites of Section 6 Lot 83 were assigned to the Chappel family for \$300 and the northerlymost grave site of Section 7 Lot 120 was assigned to Bob Hubbard Sr for \$150. The three assignments combine to a \$900 deposit to the perpetual care fund.

Operational expenses paid from the interest on the Perpetual Care Trust Fund included \$1726.14 for mowing, \$136.25 for gas, \$104.85 for electricity, and \$246.55 for mower repairs for a total expense from this account for the year of \$2213.79. Although the amount of Perpetual Care Fund interest income for the year was \$1835.49, due to market downturns, the market value of the trust fund

decreased \$6370.69. Combining expenses, interest income, and lost market value, the fund debits exceeded the fund credits by \$6748.99. The perpetual care non-expendable principal balance closed at \$31801.85 and the expendable interest balance closed at \$36031.94. This combines to \$67833.79 for the total in the Perpetual Care Fund but when adjusted to market value it drops to \$61463.10.

Respectfully submitted, James Toth, Cemetery Commission Chair