



Riverside Cemetery Committee

Agenda

Thursday, August 18, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Town Hall – William H. Jordan Conference Room

Welcome

Roll Call

Public Comments

Approval of Minutes – May 3, 2016

Note: The previously scheduled meeting on June 16 was canceled for lack of requests.

Request to Purchase Lots

Maureen Kearney & Tom Dunlap – Non-residents (1 cremation lot)

Susan McKowen O'Connor – Former residents (1 cremation lot)

Brian Bidwill (Tentative request) Former family residents

Buy Back Request

William J. & Betty Ann Robidoux – Section NS Lot #19

Next Meeting

Please bring your calendars to schedule the next meeting September/October.

Adjournment

Public Participation at Meetings

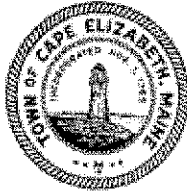
Persons wishing to address topics on the agenda may do so following introduction of the item by the chairman and prior to Trustee discussion. Any person wishing to address the Committee shall signify by raising their hand. When recognized by the chairman the speaker shall give his or her name and/or affiliation. Comments shall be limited to three minutes per person. The time may be extended by a majority vote of the Committee members present.

Persons wishing to address topics not on the agenda may do so following the roll call and review of the agenda by the chairman. The chairman shall ask if there are any members of the public who wish to speak. Any person wishing to address the Committee shall give his or her name and/or affiliation. Comments shall be limited to three minutes per person. The time may be extended by a majority vote of the Committee members present.

In the event there is a topic of interest to many persons or if the Committee wishes to solicit public comment on a particular issue a separate meeting or public forum may be scheduled. Rules of the meeting or forum will be discussed by the Committee and published prior to the meeting or forum.

Decorum

Persons present shall not applaud or otherwise express approval or disapproval of any statements made or actions taken at such meeting. Expressions of approval or disapproval may be intimidating to others who wish to speak.



**Riverside Memorial Cemetery Trustees
DRAFT Minutes**

Tuesday, May 3, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Town Hall – William H. Jordan Conference Room

Welcome

Roll Call

Present

Jessie Timberlake, Chairman

Gerald Sherry

Sharon Smarc

Debra Lane, Town Clerk

Public Comments

Two members of the public were present.

Approval of Minutes – April 7, 2016

Moved by Sharon Smarc and Seconded by Gerald Sherry to approve the minutes of the meeting held April 7, 2016 as presented.

(3 yes) (0 no)

Request to Purchase Lots

Family of Francine Corrigan Rideout – 2 Lots

Patricia Corrigan Jordan sister of Frances Rideout and a family friend were present. Mrs. Jordan provided background of her sister's ties to Cape Elizabeth.

Moved by Jessie Timberlake and Seconded by Sharon Smarc to approve the request of the family of Francine Corrigan Rideout for two lots at Riverside Memorial Cemetery. The approval was based on Mrs. Rideout's ties to Cape Elizabeth including her past residency, many family members currently residing in Cape Elizabeth and family owning lots and buried at Riverside including her parents.

(3 yes) (0 no)

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Next Meeting

The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, June 16 at 10:00 a.m. Jordan Conference Room at Town Hall. Meetings for request to purchase (non-resident) at need will be scheduled if needed.

Adjournment

Moved by Gerald Sherry and Seconded by Sharon Smarc to adjourn at 10:08 a.m.
(3 yes) (0 no)

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra M. Lane, Town Clerk

August 8, 2016

To the members of the Riverside Cemetery Committee/Town of Cape Elizabeth:

My husband and I are writing to request approval to purchase a lot at the cemetery, for our respective cremains. While we are not residents of Cape Elizabeth, we hope that our ties to the town will result in your favorable approval of our request.

My husband grew up in Portland and is the son of the late Stanley ("Duff") Dunlap and Katherine ("Kitty") Geer. Kitty Geer was one of 8 Geer children, and her brother George was a resident of Cape Elizabeth. Several of my husband's cousins have resided in Cape Elizabeth, and two reside there now - Rich Robinson (son of Muriel Geer) and Sue Robinson (daughter of Muriel Geer.)

The extended Geer family spent many summers on Higgins Beach and several are still homeowners. We purchased our year-round home at 35 Vesper Street in 2004 and have paid property taxes accordingly. My husband's career included time spent in Chicago, IL and Princeton, NJ before retirement. We have two grown sons, one living and working in New York City and the other living and working in Chicago, IL. We are members of St. Bartholomew Parish in Cape Elizabeth and my husband is a member of Purpoodock Golf Club. We are patrons of so many wonderful establishments in Cape Elizabeth and consider this to be home.

We also wanted to mention one other tie to Cape Elizabeth, and specifically the cemetery grounds. Our uncle K.C. August (married to Mary Geer, the youngest of the 8 Geer children who passed away last September) was a prolific artist and his painting of the church and the

cemetery is a favorite among the 29 children of the Geer family. Many weddings have taken place there, including a wedding coming up in October of Allison Geer, granddaughter of George Geer. This spot holds such special sentimental value to us that we would be remiss in not mentioning it in our request.

Thank you for your consideration and please let us know if you would like any additional information.

Sincerely,

Maureen Kearney & Tom Dunlap
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To: Riverside Cemetery Trustees
From: Susan McKowen O'Connor
Re: Cremial Plots
Date: July 21, 2016

My husband and I would like to purchase a plot for our cremated remains at Riverside Cemetery in Cape Elizabeth, Maine. I was born in Augusta and lived in Cape Elizabeth from 1977 until 2004. My husband Steve has lived in Cape Elizabeth from 1991 through 2004. In April 1977 my first husband and I purchased 35/37 Warren Avenue. Our son, Ben Blouin was 14 months of age at that time. In May, 1978 our daughter Kathryn was born. My husband and I divorced in 1980. I continued living in my Cape Elizabeth home, raising my two children who were educated in and graduated from the Cape Elizabeth School System.

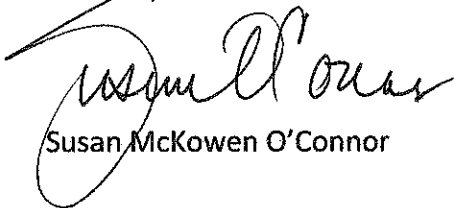
In 1992 I sold my duplex and with my second husband moved to 35 Broad Cove Road where we lived until May 2004 when we moved onto a sailboat. We lived aboard and cruised from 5/2004 to 2009, sailing from Newfoundland to the north coast of Venezuela, exploring the Eastern and Western Caribbean. We now live in South Portland and spend the winters in Florida.

My son, Ben Blouin, lives with his wife, Catherine Adams and their three daughters on Spoonrift Lane in Cape Elizabeth. They also own a home on Spurwink Road where they lived for a few years prior to moving to Spoonrift Lane. Their eldest daughter, Olive, begins 2nd grade this Fall. Rosie returns to Appletree in Cape Elizabeth for her second and final year of pre school.

I lived in Cape Elizabeth for 27 years....and it feels like home. This beautiful place is where my children were raised and educated. Cape Elizabeth is home to my son, his wife and their beautiful daughters. It is also home to my daughter I law's mother and step father...Andrea Adams and Bruce Dunphy who live on Algonquin Road extension.

I am hoping you will grant our request so that Cape Elizabeth will be our final resting place. Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,



Susan McKowen O'Connor

1 Talbot Way SP

April 27, 2016

To the Trustees of the Riverside Cemetery,

I am writing this letter on behalf of my late wife and former Cape Elizabeth resident, Marcia Poliner Bidwill. It is my hope you will grant an exception and either allow me to buy a separate plot or include Marcia's remains (Marcia was cremated) in Dr. Irving J. Poliner's plot at Riverside Cemetery so she can be buried there in the summer or fall of 2016.

Marcia was the eldest of five children born to Dr. Irving Poliner, MD and Anne E. Poliner. The Poliner Family lived at 75 Hillcrest Road (renamed Cedar Ledge) for 10 years from 1958-1968. The Poliner clan literally moved across the street to 4 Lindenwood Road. Almost 50 years later, Marcia's mother Anne and her youngest brother, Richard, still live in the family home on Lindenwood Road. Marcia attended the Ledgemere School (on Mitchell Road), the former Cottage Farms elementary school, and Cape Elizabeth Junior and Senior High School graduating in 1974.

Marcia then attended college out of state and later moved to California. However, her heart never left Maine. When we decided to marry, there was no question where the wedding would take place. In 1987, we were married at The Spurwink Church. When each of our two children were born, Marcia insisted they experience, albeit on a small scale, the wonderful Cape Elizabeth childhood she experienced. Thus, for 25 consecutive summers we returned to Cape Elizabeth. Nothing brought Marcia more joy than swimming at Casino beach, walking through Fort Williams and sitting on the donated family bench along the cliff walk,

eating a jelly donut at the Cookie Jar or borrowing a book from the Thomas Memorial Library. Our summer visits stopped only when Marcia became too ill to travel.

In September of 2011, Marcia's father passed away. Irving Poliner was a very organized man (!) and many years prior had purchased a plot at Riverside and was buried there. Marcia wanted to buy a plot as well but was not as organized thus my letter to you. During her last few days, she was insistent she be taken home to Cape Elizabeth.

I respectfully request an exception be made, specifically that I may either purchase one plot for my late wife or that Marcia's remains be included in the existing plot of Dr. Irving J. Poliner, fulfilling her desire of being buried at Riverside Cemetery in Cape Elizabeth, Maine.

I look forward to hearing from you and can be reached by email at bidybid@comcast.net or my cell phone at 415-309-0639.

Sincerely,

Brian R. Bidwill

Children, Colleen and Kevin

August 2, 2016

Riverside Memorial Cemetery Trustees
Cape Elizabeth, Maine

We own lots 18 + 19 in Section NS of Riverside Memorial Cemetery. We would like to sell lot # 19 to the Town of Cape Elizabeth and keep lot # 18.

Enclosed is the deed for lots 18 + 19 of Section NS. Please advise as how to proceed further with our request.

Sincerely,
W. J. Robidoux

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