

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2012  
7:00 PM- COMMUNITY CENTER

Town Board Members Present: Supervisor- Randy Preston  
Councilman- Darin Forbes  
Councilman- Steve Corvelli  
Councilwoman-Rarilee Conway  
*ABSENT* Councilwoman-Dawn Stevens

Public Present: Gerald L. Bruce-Town Clerk, Dan Stec, Win Belanger and George Buck.

**RESOLUTION 39-12 TOWN BOARD APPROVED THE 8/14 & 8/29 MINUTES.**

Motion- Darin Forbes Seconded – Rarilee Conway All in Favor

To: Supervisor Preston, Members of the Board;

The Cemetery Committee recently met to discuss the condition of the Town's cemeteries, Pleasant View and Haselton. The Committee spent two hours one evening visiting the two sites and found the condition of the cemeteries to be in need of some attention. There are many grave stones that have been cracked, broken, fallen to the ground/slanting, and have become illegible. In the Pleasant View Cemetery, one stone has been lying on the ground for so long that the grass has started to grow over it. Another stone has been hidden by the plants that have been growing around it for years with no maintenance being done to keep it trimmed back. The Haselton Cemetery has similar issues, the most noticeable being the slanting stones and illegible stones.

While the Committee understands that there is little to no funding for the repairs and upkeep needed in these cemeteries, we would like to propose a plan to address some of these issues. First, we would like to address some of the stones that are leaning and stand them back up before they are completely laying on the ground. We would like to utilize the State Prisoners to do the “bull work” of setting 3-5 stones at a time back into place and maybe use cement or some other substance to help keep the foundation of the stones in place. Second, we would like to see the Rules and Regulations posted at each Cemetery to help eliminate the issues of planting trees and large shrubs at grave sites as well as the rights of ownership, etc. We feel this can be done without much expense and would greatly improve the overall awareness of the Cemetery Rules. Lastly, we would like to research the possibility of fixing some of the stones that have been broken and are deteriorating. We discussed contacting Abe Lincoln in Au Sable Forks to ask what, if anything can be done to fix these stones or at least bring them to a better condition than they are in now.

We are only asking the Town Board to assist with purchasing small amounts of supplies (cement, boards, etc.) to aide with these tasks. We are planning to ask the Community for help via donations or volunteering to help with these projects and realize that these will take some time and planning to get the work done. We ask for your support as we feel that keeping these cemeteries in good condition is a very important part of our heritage and for the generations that will follow us. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

The Cemetery Committee

Town Board stated that the Committee should try to find any living relative to the damaged monument because they purchased the lot and it is not the Towns responsibility. There is likely a procedure to follow to eliminate any living relatives of the damaged lot/stone. If no living relatives can be found they will discuss what action should be taken. They would like a list of the ten most critical stones and possibly what is required to fix them.



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Refund of Expenses	400.00	Assessors Expenses	400.00
Refund of Expenses	200.00	Buildings Expenses	200.00
Refund of Expenses	900.00	Beach Expenses	900.00
WYC Refund of Expenses	304.50	Youth Summer Employee-Jacob	304.50
WYC Refund of Expenses	115.00	Youth Expenses	115.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1919.50</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1919.50</b>

**Highway**

From

Refund of Expenses	1730.00	Road Repairs Expenses	1730.00
Refund of Expenses	4250.00	Machinery Repairs Expenses	4250.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>5980.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>5980.00</b>

**Water**

From

To

Fund Balance	315	District 2 Oper Exp	315.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>315.00</b>

Motion- Steve Corvelli Seconded- Darin Forbes All in Favor

Motion to adjourn by Rarilee Conway Seconded by Darin Forbes All in Favor

Respectfully Submitted:

Gerald L. Bruce