

Cemetery Committee Meeting
Tuesday, July 11, 2023, Beginning at 9:00 a.m.

1. Open Meeting Verification:

The meeting was held at the Plum Lake Town Hall in Sayner, Wisconsin, and was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Chair Postuchow. The meeting was duly called with the notice posted at the Plum Lake Town Hall and at the United States Post Office in Sayner, Wisconsin, as well as posted on the Town of Plum Lake website.

2. Roll Call:

Cemetery Committee Members: Chair Jackey Postuchow, Treasurer Nadean Stahl, Sheehan Donoghue, Secretary Mary Marsh-Schilling were present and 1 other person joined us during the meeting.

3. Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. Approve Agenda to Be Discussed in Any Order: Chair Postuchow made a motion to discuss the agenda in any order. Member Donoghue seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

5. Approval of Minutes From Previous Meeting(s) –June 16, 2023, Minutes: Chair Postuchow made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Member Stahl seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

–June 29, 2023, Minutes: Chair Postuchow made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Member Stahl seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

6. Citizen Comments or Concerns:

–Sayner Cemetery:

–How does the TPGP properly care for the cemetery grounds for the gravesite that has the tall, yellow flowers growing in the ground and are completely fenced in? This will be addressed after the rewrite of the Ordinance and Rules and Regulations. – No response from Mr. Reichl as to when or if the rabbit statue will be removed and/or replaced by a monument and a VWF marker. He will be contacted again by Town Clerk and/or Member Donoghue.

–Reviewed note from TPGP Carlson that was presented to us at the end of the last meeting: ownership of the gravesite where the rabbit is placed and proper recording of the gravesites of John and Ramona Schaeffel and Joseph O. Reichl. We will revisit this.

–Star Lake Cemetery:

–Weeds on the left (woods) side of the blacktop road leading down to the new cemetery section need to be weed wacked. TPGP Carlson will take care of this.

–Chair Postuchow will be attending the Star Laker’s Club picnic this coming weekend and suggest: Is there a way to research, preserve and easily disperse and/or display the very unique cemetery history along with the history of Star Lake itself for anyone interested?

7. Discussion and Possible Action on the Following: A.

Prepare Presentation to Town Board for Approval of Cemetery Plotting Survey

–Chair Postuchow contacted Greg Maines again, with no answer. Questions were raised, and because of the incomplete information about the survey and cost, we are unable to prepare a presentation for approval to the Town Board. We await a response from Mr. Maines.

B. Continue Review/Revising Cemetery Ordinances/Rules/Regulations

–The documents of the Town of Plum Lake Ordinance No.

80-2, Resolution 2013RES-004 and Cemetery Rules and Regulations will no longer be valid upon the approval by the Town Board of the revised said documents.

–Section 7. SALES, TRANSFERS AND MAINTENANCE OF GRAVESITES

–Section 7. (b) shall read as follows: No transfer of gravesite(s) shall occur without the approval of the Town Board. A transfer shall only occur when the owner of the gravesite(s) approves the transfer in writing and then that said owner presents that written transfer request to the Town Board. Heir(s) of the gravesite owner, whether the owner is alive or deceased, shall abide by the wishes of the owner, as so stated in the original deed. No person except the owner of the gravesite(s) or a member of his/her immediate family shall be interred in the gravesite(s) without the written consent from the owner and without the written consent and approval of the Town Board. An owner of a gravesite(s) may sell the gravesite(s) back to the Town Board at the original price at which it was purchased. The Town Board may then sell that gravesite(s) at the price gravesites are currently being sold.

–We will start with Section 7. (c) at our next meeting.

C. New Business

–Items to address in future:

1. Who, what, where, why and when can item(s)-a bench, as an example-be placed in the cemeteries...we must remember to permanently keep the access alley's clear; especially during a funeral, ease of access for vehicles and people and respect for the deceased. Decisions of this matter will be addressed after revisions of cemetery documents are complete.
2. Star Lake Cemetery: Determine the placement of Mr.

Robert Olson's casket in relation to his monument.

8. Adjourn:

Chair Postuchow made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:12 a.m.. Member Marsh-Schilling seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

The minutes were taken at the Regular Cemetery Committee Meeting of the Town of Plum Lake on July 11, 2023, by Secretary Mary Marsh-Schilling and forwarded to Chair Postuchow.