CHEBEAGUE ISLAND CEMETERY COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE: January 15, 2019

ATTENDANCE: Beth Wiles, Kendra MacKinnon, Allyson Smith, Jane Frizzell, Laurine Curtis (via cellphone), Marjorie Stratton and Gloria Brown. Ann Thaxter joined the meeting after the first item was discussed.

Discussion with Town Administrator Marjorie Stratton regarding a raise in pay for Cemetery Superintendent Ann Thaxter:
Motion was made by Kendra and seconded by Allyson to raise Ann’s pay from $15.50 to $16.00 per hour effective now and to make the budget line for wages $6,500 for the next budget year. All were in favor of the motion.

Continued discussion regarding proposed budget for fiscal year 2019-2020:
Motion was made by Kendra and seconded by Laurie to increase the Cemetery General Expense line from $400 to $800. The vote was unanimous.

Discussion regarding what was included in the Member Dues line: Ann explained there are two association memberships; one for $32/year, the other for $7/year.

Motion was made by Jane and seconded by Kendra to approve the committee’s budget of $13,125 for fiscal year 2019-2020, with the one amendment to the General Expense line voted above. The vote was unanimous.

Discussion about stone restoration: Mr. Stilkey who has done some stone restoration work for us has told us that he doesn’t want to come out for small jobs like ours was this past year. He prefers to wait until there is enough stone work to be done to make it worth his while. Motion was made by Kendra and seconded by Jane to request that the Town set aside $2000 in a cemetery reserve fund for restoration of stones so monies can be accumulated for stone restoration. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 6:28 PM.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 29th at 5:30 PM at the Parish House