

OTSEGO LAKE TOWNSHIP CEMETERY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
August 3, 2011

Denise Pallarito, Chairperson, called the meeting of the Otsego Lake Township Cemetery Advisory Committee to order at 5:28 pm. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members present: Mary Brown, Nora Corfis, Dianne Newman, and Denise Pallarito

A quorum was present.

Chairperson Pallarito asked for approval of the minutes dated June 2, 2011. Dianne Newman moved to approve the minutes dated June 2, 2011 as printed. Mary Brown supported, and the motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Old Business:

- Transcription Update

Dianne Newman updated the committee on its progress, and the committee was furnished with copies of the document, "Transcription of headstones of the Otsego Lake Township Cemetery."

- Civil War Status

Ms. Newman is still waiting on communication from several families to make a final determination of several of the possible Civil War veterans.

- Purchase of Supplies for Hose and Sprinklers

Ms. Corfis will purchase 2- 75 foot sections of hose and 2 tripod sprinklers from Home Depot.

- Crimson Maple /Rock/Benches

Paul Miliken will be planting the tree after return from his vacation. The tree will be planted at the location selected at the June work session. (There is a red marker at the spot.) The Committee will need to provide water to the tree after its transplanting. It is hoped one of the newly installed timers can be implemented for this purpose.

Mary Brown will contact Nelsons Funeral Home for the logistics of mounting a dedication plaque on the rock to be placed by the maple tree. If they cannot do it, hopefully they will refer the Committee to a company who can perform this service.

Denise Pallarito is investigating the purchase of a bench to be placed by the maple tree.

New Business:

- Policy for Changing Meeting Dates

Ms. Pallarito suggested that when a member is unable to make a meeting, that the Chairperson be contacted. The Chairperson will contact Lorraine if an alternate date is to be posted at the Township Hall.

- Temporary Post by Robinson Grave

Chairperson Pallarito notified the committee that the Robinson gravestone had been driven over by a vehicle. Possible remedies were discussed. The Committee will monitor the situation and possibly place some markers in the area.

- Possible Parking Lot

Ms. Pallarito informed the Committee that the area near the eastern rear of the Cemetery (where a possible parking area was to be set aside by a split rail fence) could not be used. Graves have been sold in the area. Ms. Pallarito suggested that a parking lot could be made in the newly purchased property behind the cemetery. She inquired of the committee if quotes should be obtained. Ms. Corfis stated that more information should be obtained and the committee should discuss this further.

- Press Release for Dedication

Denise Pallarito will draft a press release and email a copy to committee members for their review. The Committee will continue to coordinate its efforts with the Thunder over Waters Festival.

- Order for Dedication Ceremony

Ms. Pallarito will develop an order of ceremony and host the short dedication service.

The next meeting of the Otsego Lake Township Cemetery Advisory Committee will be September 1, 2011 at 5:30 pm at the Otsego Lake Township Hall.

Chairperson Denise Pallarito adjourned the meeting at 6:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kara Corpio".

Secretary