

## Cemetery Minutes 04112018

### Cemetery Public Meeting

April 11, 2018

### Chichester Public Library

In attendance: Committee Members Dave Pinckney, Mark McIntosh, Linda Fisher, Leslie Ari, Tammy Jameson. Guests Gail & Jim Towle, Richard and Sandra Millotte, Donna Chagnon, Cara Torrey and Lucille Noel.

1. **Green Burial** – Lucille presented an option for Chichester residents. This is an ecologically friendly way to dispose of one's eternal remains. Lucille left information behind, which was added to the documents Leslie had brought along. The committee will investigate.

2. **Maintenance:**

a. Several folks talked about the poor maintenance our cemeteries receive, especially in comparison with other towns. Epsom was mentioned as a town that takes good care. There, only potted plants are allowed, and plastic only from November through April. The committee will investigate.

b. The trees at the back of Leavitt make quite a leafy mess. Committee to find out who owns those trees and perhaps find a trimming solution.

c. Donna Chagnon was asking about removing the marker at 171 at Leavitt and adding a headstone. Mark will investigate.

3. A lively discussion was held regarding the **Cemetery Rules** (Do's and Don'ts). Rules should be posted in multiple places at both Leavitt and Pineground. David explained how the rules are for the appearance of the cemetery and the safety of the maintenance crew. Some felt the crew could and should be more respectful and careful and the committee will discuss this with the caretaker. Committee will consider amending the 12" planting rule in the case of family headstones engraved on two sides.

4. Leslie has phone numbers for all those in attendance. Donna Chagnon offered to help place flags for Memorial Day