

APPROVED

June 1, 2020

**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Julian called the special meeting of the Kasson Township Board to order at 5:00 pm.

**ROLL CALL:** Members Present: Greg Julian – Supervisor, Dana Boomer – Clerk, Beth Noonan – Treasurer, Roger Noonan – Trustee, Tad Carter - Trustee

Member(s) Absent: None

Staff Present: Sheree Nelson

**AGENDA** - The public notice will be used as the agenda for the meeting. The meeting is to discuss issues related to the cemeteries in Kasson Township.

## **DISCUSSION**

The board discussed numerous issues related to the maintenance and upkeep of the Kasson Township Cemetery. Rich Hulbert is the sexton of the cemetery, but has not been paid for any duties other than digging graves.

**R. Noonan moved to pay Rich Hulbert \$15/hr, up to a total of \$600 per fiscal year, for maintenance work at the Kasson Township Cemetery; Carter seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

There is maintenance to be done at the cemetery, including locating, placing and/or replacing a number of the block markers. There will need to be supplies purchased. There will need to be a budget amendment for the items discussed at the meeting – R. Noonan recommended a \$5,000 transfer to the cemetery cost center from other areas of the budget. Boomer and Nelson will put together a proposal for a budget amendment to be discussed at the regular board meeting in June.

Blocks 11, 12, 14, and 15 have had extensive tree and brush growth, which is impeding the location of headstones for a number of graves. R. Noonan suggested clearing these four blocks, which would also allow additional grave sites to be established which could be sold in the future. In addition, the lot lines around the edge of the cemetery need clearing back, two cedars near the entrance need to be removed as they are intruding into graves, and a spruce near the entrance needs to be removed as it is causing drivers to veer into the main cemetery to avoid the spreading branches. Julian will contact Deerings and plan to have a quote for the tree and brush clearing by the regular meeting.

The board briefly discussed the East Kasson Cemetery. Hulbert stated that there is a group of people interested in putting together an association to care for the cemetery and its records, but there is a legal issue with the fact that the actual owner of the cemetery is unknown. Boomer had contacted Micah Deegan, who recently did title work for a similar cemetery in Glen Arbor Township, and he quoted \$300-500 plus copies for a title search, and thought it would be closer to \$300.

**R. Noonan moved to hire Micah Deegan to complete a title search for the East Kasson Cemetery, in an amount not to exceed \$500 plus copies; B. Noonan seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

There is a break in the fence that needs to be repaired. Julian and Nelson will work to get a quote for this.

Discussion on the cemeteries will continue at the regular June board meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**BOARD COMMENT:** None

**Motion** by R. Noonan to adjourn, second by B. Noonan/**PASSED 5-0.** Meeting adjourned at 6:04 pm.

Submitted by:  
Dana Boomer, Clerk