

Hollis Cemetery Trustees

Meeting Minutes, January 28, 2017
Meeting held at Town Hall Community Room
FINAL

Trustees in attendance: Marc Squires, Raul Blanche, Melinda Willis, Amy Armstrong and Lisa Schmalz. Chair Willis called the meeting to order at 8:05 AM.

- 1) Lot Decorations at East Cemetery – The focus of this short meeting was to discuss what to do about the existing lot decorations at East cemetery that violate current cemetery rules. Specifically, the Trustees reviewed existing guidelines to determine what changes need to be made, and develop an engagement strategy to inform the public. A key topic centered on what distance from the monument will be allowed for natural flower plantings and approved decorations. It was agreed that 16 inches in front and 12 inches on the side of the stone monument is a reasonable area. Further, it was agreed that the Trustees will review section VI of cemetery rules (decorations and landscaping) to propose changes to existing language. The updated rules will then be made public in the April-May timeframe. At that time, Lots found to be in violation will be identified and associated families will be appropriately contacted.

Marc Squires motioned to approve the December 17th, 2017 minutes as written. Lisa Schmalz seconded and was approved unanimously on a 5-0 vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 am on a unanimous vote, based on a motion by Amy seconded by Marc.

Respectfully submitted,

Raul Blanche