

**Cemetery Commission Meeting Minutes Final**  
**Thursday, Sept. 5, 2019 3:00pm**  
**Chilmark Town Hall, 401 Middle Rd, Conference Room #1**

**Those in attendance:**

Sally Cook, Laurisa Rich, Judie Flanders, Susan Murphy & Jenny Christy (for mapping progress)

**Meeting called to order at 3:02**

**A. Minutes from August 8, 2019** - approved. Laurisa will ask Jenny for clarification on Section E.

**B. Superintendent Report** - Nothing to report.

**C. Expansion Plan Discussion**

1. **Cemetery Data summary from J. Christy** - She presented a partial map of her progress on Old Section data.
2. **Report from Board of Health meeting on Sept. 4, 2019** - Sally, Judie and Susan attended and presented our cemetery expansion plan for their approval. The plan was approved unanimously.
3. **Review of cemetery expansion map** - Past plot purchase data: over last 12 years an average of 6 full plots and 3 half plots were sold yearly. The new "Near West Wing" surveyed plan holds 45 full plots and 29 half plots. The "Far West Wing" preliminary plan offers 106 full plots and 6 half plots.
  1. Many questions were raised on logistics of reconfiguring current near west wing layout and adjusting plot size. Judie & Laurisa will research the funding process.
  2. To address immediate need, Susan will mark lots 301, 302, 303, 312 and 321.

**D. FY20 Budget Review** - noted

**E. Abel's Hill Cemetery Plot Application Draft review** - This version adds a statement requiring applicant to notify other trustees

and members of LLCs of rules governing burial plot. No action was taken.

**E. Correspondence - none**

**F. Topics not reasonably anticipated - none**

**Next meeting scheduled Sept 19th, 2019**

**Meeting adjourned at 4:40**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Laurisa Rich  
Secretary**

**Documents Reviewed at the Meeting:**

**8/19 Abels Hill Cemetery Old Section Map draft  
8/28/19 Abel's Hill Cemetery West End Map (green shading)  
FY 20 Cemetery Budget  
Abel's Hill Cemetery Lot Application - draft revision  
MA Legislature General Law - Part I, Title XVI, Chapter  
114, Section 15  
Boston Magazine Article "Boston's Other Housing Crisis:  
The Cemeteries**