

**TOWNSHIP OF SEGUIN
MINUTES OF CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING
March 17th, 2009**

A regular meeting of the Township of Seguin Cemetery Committee was held on March 17, 2009 at the Township of Seguin Municipal Office. After the meeting was called to order the Chair requested approval of the agenda. There was an addition to the agenda being a letter from the Volunteer Committee requesting nominations.

The Chair requested that any disclosures of pecuniary interest be declared. There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

The following Committee members were present: Robert Bradley, Bill Jameson, Marg Presley, Julia Fraser, Councillor Everett Jacklin and Chair, Ed Forbes.

2009-004 Fraser-Jacklin

Carried

“THAT the Township of Seguin Cemetery Committee convene at 7:00 pm for the regular meeting of March 17, 2009 at Seguin Municipal Office”.

Mrs. Bernice Bissonette attended the meeting as a delegate to provide information regarding cemetery lot Humphrey-Rosseau lot L-06-41 which was originally purchased by Isabella Mahon Hannah in 1923. Mrs. Bissonette advised that Isabella Hannah had a Will that named George Wm Mahon as her Executor and sole beneficiary. Unfortunately that Will has never been provided to the Township so there is no record of anyone other than Mrs. Hannah being able to permit burials and/or monuments on the cemetery lots. Since the death of Mrs. Hannah in 1967 there have been two burials to date, both of which were done without the permission required by the Cemetery Act. Last year members of this family were advised of the problem with the ownership of the Certificate. In 1986 George Wm Mahon passed away and his Will named his surviving spouse, Margaret Mahon as his beneficiary. Mrs. Margaret Mahon passed away last year and she named Bernice Bissonette and Carol Riva as Executrices of her Estate.

The Committee Chair explained that the Provincial Cemeteries Act requires that the chain of title for the Cemetery Certificate be established before transferring the cemetery certificate from any Estate. Mrs. Bissonette provided the Committee with a letter of consent from Mrs. Amelia Lashbrook, who is the only surviving issue of Isabella and Roger Mahon. Mrs. Bissonette also provided a copy of her late Mother's Will (Margaret Mahon).

The Committee requested that copies of the Wills for Isabella Hannah and George Mahon be provided to the Township in order to process the request to transfer the Cemetery Certificate from the Estate of Isabella Hannah.

Mrs. Bernice Bissonette also advised the Committee that she is attempting to contact Mrs. Eva Draycott, the surviving spouse of Albert Draycott, the Certificate Rights Holder of cemetery lot L-06-42. Mrs. Bissonette wishes to obtain permission to transfer the vacant lots in L-06-42 from the Estate of Albert Draycott to members of the Mahon family.

2009-005 Presley-Jacklin

Carried

“THAT the Township of Seguin Cemetery Committee advise that the Wills of Isabella Hannah and George William Mahon are required in order to transfer ownership of the Certificate for the vacant cemetery lots in L-06-41 at Humphrey-Rosseau Union Cemetery”.

The Cemetery Committee was provided with a copy of the Guidelines for Committees of Council for the Township of Seguin and the Committee requested that Ed Forbes continue as Chair of the Committee.

2009-006 Bradley-Fraser

Carried

“**THAT** the Township of Seguin Cemetery Committee appoint Ed Forbes as Chair of the Township of Seguin Cemetery Committee until the end of this term of office”.

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the last regular meeting and no changes or revisions were required.

2009-007 Jameson-Presley

Carried

“**THAT** the minutes of the January 20th, 2009 regular meeting of the Township of Seguin Cemetery Committee be approved as circulated”.

The Committee was advised that the printout with the 2009 budget and expenditures is not available yet.

The contractor responsible for grave openings/closings will be contacted again to obtain the required proof of liability insurance coverage.

The Committee appointed Emily Scott for Youth Volunteer (female), Beau Wood-Fraser for Youth Volunteer (male) and Ed Forbes as Lifetime Citizen Volunteer.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

2009-008 Fraser-Bradley

Carried

“**THAT** the Township of Seguin Cemetery Committee does hereby adjourn at 8:20 p.m. to meet again on April 21st, 2009 or at the call of the Chair in the Council Chambers”.

*Ed Forbes,
Chair*

*Karen Bethune,
Clerk's Department*