

GLEN ARBOR TOWNSHIP  
CEMETERY ADVISORY BOARD  
Minutes of July 12, 2022, Meeting at Township Meeting Room

Meeting called to order at 1:30 p.m.

Present: Diane Calsbeek Terri Myers, Amy Peterson, Linda Dewey, Chairperson, and Don Lewis (sitting in for John Pepler)

Pledge of Allegiance to Flag

Agenda: The agenda was accepted as changed, the change being the addition of Amy's resignation, which we will talk about during her committee report.

Minutes of June Meeting were approved as submitted.

No public present

Board of Trustees' Update: Don Lewis reported that the Township Board has approved an increase to \$550 for stone cleaning and resetting.

JP is still in the hospital but his condition is improving. He may receive visitors but tires easily. Diane will send a card on behalf of CAB.

Committee Reports:

*Restoration:* Terri reported that Ron Kelderhouse worked on the Glen Burgess stone over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. He has set the stone to be read from the east, but there is some question as to the proper historical orientation of the headstone. Ron will ask his niece Kim at the Leland Historical Society. He will return on August 14<sup>th</sup> to do further work.

Don suggested we have the historians decide which way the stones should face.

Linda and Terri marked with pin flags areas along the eastern section of the cemetery (which is the eastern portion of Phase I) and many on park property itself what appear to be promising burial sites. Due to the presence of remaining stumps and trunks, it is difficult to ascertain terrain differences. We need more expert opinion in this area prior to further clearing. Hiring Xi Bromley would be of utmost help.

Zak Baker says our lidar map doesn't comport with his records. Linda will check with the county and will superimpose that record on our lidar map images.

Terri has had several email exchanges with Xi Bromley, but Xi has been out of touch for a few weeks as she has just returned from deployment. She is currently working on a proposal for us.

CAB supports waiting for her proposal before we move ahead with anything.

*Maintenance:* Amy is retiring from her position after this meeting. She feels she can be better suited to other areas of volunteer work. The CAB thanked her profusely for all the work she has done thus far and wished her well going forward.

She left us with a list of things needed in the cemetery as we continue our work:

Check for needed maintenance. Keep the National Park easement path accessible. Keep the cemetery lot accessible. Spring cleanup. Memorial Day Weekend ceremony cleanup. Disposing of brush from cleanups.

*Education:* Linda reports her committee has had no activity since the Memorial Day celebration. She will meet with Melissa from Glen Lake Schools in August about their continuing part of our program.

Linda will be changing the name of the cemetery on the GA Find-a-Grave website from Forest Haven Cemetery to Glen Arbor Cemetery.

*Research/History:* Diane had nothing new to report, said perhaps we should ask Andy White about orientation of grave stones.

Old Business: Nothing.

New Business: Once again, we acknowledged acceptance of Amy's resignation and reiterated our thanks for all she has done with and for the committee over the past years.

We talked about whether it's necessary to have five people on the CAB and how to get some more volunteers, especially for the maintenance committee.

There being no more business to come before the board, we adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Diane Calsbeek, Secretary

NEXT MEETING: 1:30 p.m., August 9, 2022, GA Township Meeting Room

