

Waitsfield Cemetery Commission

DRAFT: Agenda for meeting Monday, November 24, 2025

Waitsfield Town Offices

5:30 Potluck and 6:11pm meeting

Present: Mark, Nancy, Robin P., Robin M., George Jr.

1. Welcome and agenda review Robin M: one issue added to new business by Mark re. Waitsfield Planning Commission's consideration of a path in front of Irasville Cemetery.
2. Public comment: no public present
3. Review and approve minutes of October 30, 2025 Meeting: one change to 6.e: cut in 8" sections. Unanimously approved.
4. President's report Robin M- See Old & New Business.
5. Treasurer's report Nancy. Unanimously approved.
 - a. Balance is \$9,945.78
 - b. 20K in CD
 - c. Organized meeting with Trustees. on 12/8/25, 3:30 pm in Town Office with Robin M., Nancy, Bob Cook and Gib Geiger. Nancy is working on financial projections to share with Cemetery Trustees.
 - d. WCC meeting with Selectboard in January.
 - e. WCC will adjust George's salary based on cost-of-living increases.
6. Sexton's report George Jr. Unanimously approved.
 - a. Odd Fellows headstone update: Spring 2026.
 - b. Janet Hubbard's headstone has been installed by Green Valley Memorials. Ramsey Brown is deciding whether she wants pink or black cornerstones for Janet's plot.
 - c. Jill Burley called George, asking if her Mother and brother cremains were buried on Nov. 12. Ashes were placed directly in the open plot.
 - d. George will put chains in front of each cemetery, designating seasonal closure.
 - e. Preferred Monument Suppliers list- add guidelines (George and Robin M. will work on this winter 2026)
 - i. Green Valley Memorials
 - f. Tree assessment from Matt Holland : 2026

- g. Veteran Flags and using Pex to hold them up- a new box of flags will need to be ordered for 2026.
7. Old Business All
- a. Cemetery Software Module: Mark and Robin. Mark volunteers to join an auxiliary “cemetery software module” committee after his retirement in March. Thank you, Mark.
 - b. Mehuron graves in Irasville Cemetery : Tom Mehuron approved Robin’s plot explanation.
 - c. LaFerrier lot in Common Cemetery: George is waiting to hear from Liz and Leo re. the purchase of an additional lot purchase.
 - d. Bluebird Boxes in Common Cemetery: Laura : installation should be as close to the fence as possible, outside the fence.
8. New Business
- a. Filling Mark’s open seat: Robin will contact Valerie Capels and will invite other commissioners to meet with her.
 - b. Year in review (see attachment)
 - c. Coming year projects (see email attachment)
9. Thank yous and deep appreciation expressed to Mark for his service and leadership on the WCC for 7 years. “I feel really good about the board I’m leaving!” 😊
10. First meeting of 2026: March 10, 2026, 6pm.
11. Motion to adjourn: 7:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Brines, WCC Secretary

Robin’s audio book recommendations related to cemetery topics: Smoke Gets in Your Eyes and From Here to Eternity by Caitlin Doughty.