Braintree Cemetery Commission Meeting Notes
October 1, 2025

Attendees: Nancy Burchfield, Karl Jassen and Jesse Brassard, Town Clerk

A motion was made and seconded to call the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

Old Business

The minutes for the September 2025 meeting were approved with no changes.

Jesse Brassard was present to explain how sales of Cemetery plots appear in the Town budget. The Town budget follows a fiscal year ending June 30. Therefore, income from cemetery plot sales over the summer months may be split between two different fiscal years of the Town budget. The income from sales in the latter part of the Summer of 2024 will appear in the FY2025 budget that will appear in the 2026 Town Report.

Jesse further noted that sales of cemetery plots are apportioned both to the Cemetery Commission budget in the fiscal year received, and the “perpetual care funds” received as a part of plot sales are added to an investment fund at Edward Jones. Jesse explained that the investment fund is intended to be used for unusual expenses outside of the typical care of the cemeteries. Approximately 60% of the perpetual fund, at present, cannot be touched as it is regarded as permanent endowment.

New Business

The Commission members have spent two evenings cleaning up the tree lines in the Mountain View Cemetery. It will take one or two more clean-up sessions to complete this project including the removal of a stump to allow better passage between the expansion fields of the Cemetery.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Next Meeting to be held: Wednesday, November 12, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Note, this is the second Wednesday of November 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Burchfield