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TO: TOWN COUNCIL
FROM: MAYOR ROBERT L. HEDLUND *Robert Hedlund*
RE: CPA FUNDING REQUEST -CRYPTS AT VILLAGE CEMETERY
DATE: SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

I hereby submit the following measure to Town Council for its consideration and action:

“That the Town of Weymouth appropriate the sum of \$19,000 from the CPA Historic Resources Fund Balance (4906-321005), for the conservation and preservation of two (2) crypts at Village Cemetery.”

Please see the attached supporting documentation.

This measure requires a legal notice and public hearing.

At the time of this submittal, the balance in the CPA Historic Resources Fund Balance Account is \$228,713.47.

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TO: Robert L. Hedlund, Mayor

FROM: Robert J. Luongo, Director of Planning & Community Development 

DATE: September 9, 2022

SUBJECT: Request for Funding - CPA

At the September 8, 2022 meeting of the Community Preservation Committee, the committee reviewed and discussed the application put forward by the Village Cemetery Association, Inc. in the amount of \$16,000. The request is for restoration and preservation of 2 crypts (erected in 1857) at Village Cemetery.

While discussing the motion, the committee discussed the appropriation of \$19,000 in order to allow for a contingency for any unanticipated costs related to building materials. As with all CPA projects, any unused funds will be returned to the CPA fund account the funds were derived from when the project is completed.

After review and discussion, the following motion was approved unanimously.

Motion to appropriate and fund \$19,000 for the conservation and preservation of 2 crypts at Village Cemetery as described in the request put forward by the Village Cemetery Association, Inc., from the historic preservation reserve fund balance account.

The Community Preservation Committee appreciates your review and consideration on this recommendation.

ATTACHMENT: Funding Request submitted by the Weymouth Public Libraries dated June 23, 2022

CC: Patrice Cook, Town Accountant
Christopher Hannan, Chairman, CPC

Community Preservation Committee

Application for Funding

Name: Village Cemetery Association, Inc.

Date: June 23, 2022

(Mailing address: 556 Commercial Street, Weymouth, MA 02188)

Phone: 781-331-3459

Email: aremsen@comcast.net

Affiliation/Organization (if applicable):

Members of the Board of Directors of the Village Cemetery Association, Inc.

Project Name: Village Cemetery Preservation

Amount Requested: \$16,000. (The cemetery can contribute \$1,641.)

Purpose: Historic Preservation

Description:

A section of the ground in the area of the cemetery off of Front Street, adjacent to the tomb (dating back to 1907), has collapsed, exposing two crypts (erected in 1857) and causing the retaining wall to fall apart. This happened at the end of 2021 and just before the cemetery was closed to burials for the winter. We contacted and met with four different masons (Dan O'Regan, Corey Cusick, Marty Mannion, and Collm O'Callahan) and received 2 quotes (see attached).

Describe how this project helps to preserve Weymouth's character.

The Village Cemetery was incorporated in 1849 and is a part of the Front Street Historical District. This cemetery played a key role in the community in the 1800's and continues to serve the community in 2022.

During the late 1880's and through most of the 1990's the Women's Auxiliary of the Village Cemetery played a key role in the care of the cemetery. They held bake sales, etc., to provide funds to help with the continued maintenance needs of the cemetery. In 1903 this group (the Woman's Benevolent Society) paid to have the beautiful chapel (which is still standing) built on the Front Street entrance to the cemetery. A monument was erected (behind the police and fire monuments) in memory of this energetic and forward thinking group of women.

In 1951 the Weymouth Fire Department installed a memorial, dedicated to the Weymouth Firefighters, on the Washington Street side of the cemetery. The Weymouth Fire Department also installed a

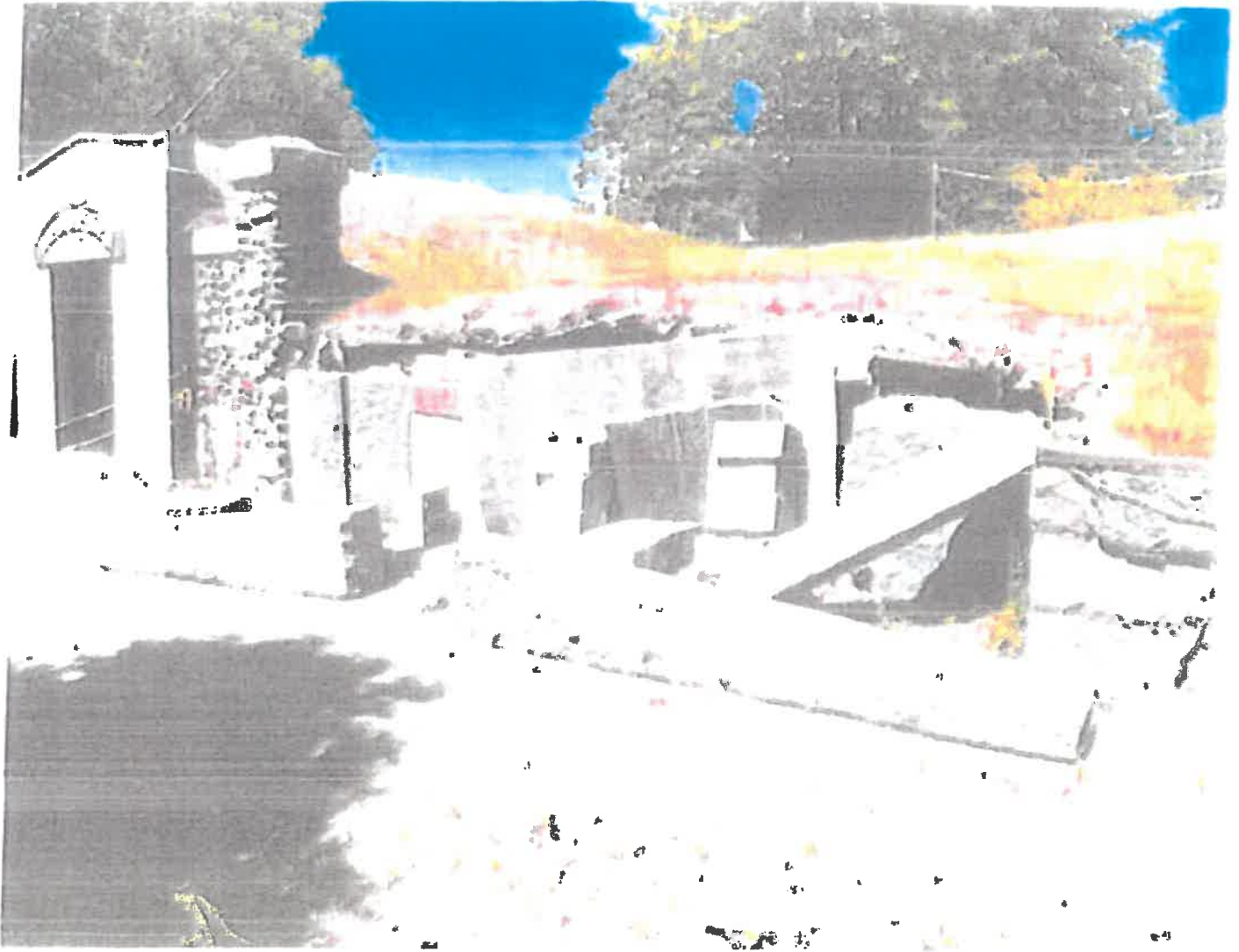
flagpole at this location and provides the cemetery with new flags as needed. The Village Cemetery Association installed and supports the cost of a floodlight that shines every night on this flag.

Then in 1961 the Weymouth Police Association installed a memorial dedicated to the memory of Weymouth Police Officers who sacrificed their lives in the line of duty. This memorial was placed on the opposite side of the flagpole.

Although this cemetery is one of the oldest in the town, it is not the oldest. However, its central location between Washington and Front streets and its continued dedication to the Weymouth Fire and Police Departments supports our request for maintenance assistance from Weymouth's Community Preservation Committee.







GMC Hardscape & Masonry Inc.
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Estimate

ADDRESS
 Eric Ramsen

ESTIMATE # 1503
DATE 05/11/2022

SERVICE	DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
Services	Carefully remove existing granite headstones etc...	1	2,340.00	2,340.00
Services	Repair as needed stone column	1	2,340.00	2,340.00
Services	Excavation of existing concrete footing and foundation	1	3,640.00	3,640.00
Services	Form and pour footing 18 inches wide 10 inches deep with number 4 rebar as needed	1	4,940.00	4,940.00
Services	Form and pour reinforcing wall 18'x4'	1	4,290.00	4,290.00
Services	Reconstruction facade with granite pieces and gravestones as close to original as possible with existing stones and replacement as needed	1	10,920.00	10,920.00
Services	Collapse of roof	1	3,640.00	3,640.00
Services	Supply and install screen loom 25'x20'	1	3,640.00	3,640.00
Services	Removal and disposal of any extra debris	1	0.00	0.00

TOTAL

\$35,750.00

Please note 1/3 of payment is due upon week of start date, 1/3 of payment is due upon milestone of completion and 1/3 of payment is due upon date of completion unless otherwise discussed with Corey Cusick.

1 year guaranteed warranty
 5 year limited warranty

Accepted By

Accepted Date