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A Public Meeting was called for the evening of ~~August 18th~~ ^{July 29th} 1935 for the purpose of considering the advisability of having a Cemetery in Pemberton Meadows belonging to the Community as a whole.

Mr. W. C. Girling was elected to the Chair but as the attendance was very small, and as it was stated that many of those who were interested had not known of the meeting it was decided to adjourn to a later date, steps being meanwhile taken to acquaint all residents.

The adjourned meeting was held in the Boys Club House on the evening of August 18th 1935, when the following were present:-

E. Blakeway.
E. Cooper
J. Decker
Mrs. Becker.
N. Fraser
B. Girling
C. Girling
W. C. Girling.
Mrs. Lokken.
W. M. Miller.
M. Miller.
Mrs. M. Miller.
A. Ridley & Fred Ridley.
Mrs. E. Royane.
J. Royane
Jm Royane.
J. Royane Junr
A. Ross
G. Ross.
R. H. Taylor & Mrs. Taylor.
L. Van Buren.
E. Wilson.
P. Wilson

(25 persons.)

The Chairman (Mr. W. C. Girling) addressed the meeting. He stated that the present circumstances were as follows: For several years spasmodic efforts had been made to secure a suitable site for a Cemetery and that various fee offerings of land had been made. After much care and consideration of the advantages of the various sites a small Committee appointed by the members of the Anglican Church had recommended the site offered on the property belonging to the Trustees of the late Mr. Shaw and actually one burial was made there in 1934. However when Mr. G. M. Downton B.C.L.S. came to survey the ground he found a discrepancy existed as to the boundary, and the members of the Anglican Church decided that the site must be abandoned. Then came an offer from Messrs Wilson Brothers to give one half of an acre on Lot No. and this was gratefully accepted. There have been laid the bodies of three old residents who have passed on this year.

Many people however, had expressed the opinion that the Cemetery should be the property of all rather than belong to any particular religious denomination, and the Anglican Church members were quite prepared to accede and he - the speaker - was empowered to offer the ground given by Messrs Wilson Brothers to the community provided Trustees were appointed and an undertaking given to lay out, beautify and preserve it as a Burial Ground.

Since the subject had been before the public Mr. D. Morrison had made an offer of land on his property, but it was felt that this offer could not be accepted seeing that three graves had already existed on Messrs Wilson Brothers' land.

The first question to be answered was whether it was desired that the Cemetery should be a community one rather than one belonging exclusively to the Anglican Church. This question was put to the meeting and a unanimous vote in favour of it was passed.

After some discussion it was proposed by Mr. J. Decker and seconded by Mr. W. M. Miller that the meeting gratefully accepted the offer of the Anglican Church authorities to hand over the $\frac{1}{2}$ acre donated by Messrs Wilson Bros. and on the proposition of Mr. C. Girling seconded by Mr. John Hoagye a vote of cordial thanks to Messrs Wilson was unanimously passed.

It was agreed that a letter should be sent to Mr. Morrison thanking him for his offer of land and explaining that as Messrs Wilson Bros' had been accepted there would be no necessity to call upon him.

Trustees.

On the question of the appointment of trustees in whom would be vested the property of the Cemetery general approval was given to the suggestion that they should be chosen from amongst the younger members of the Community, and after discussion the three following were unanimously elected, viz:-

Mr. Norman Miller, Mr. John Rouayne Junr. & Mr. P. G. N. Wilson.

Working
Committee.

On the proposition of Mr. Becker, seconded by Mr. Taylor it was agreed to appoint a working Committee of 7 whose duty it would be to collect necessary funds, arrange the legal matters, and grade, fence and otherwise prepare the site. The said Committee to act for one year or such shorter time as may be necessary. The following were appointed to serve on this Committee, viz:- Mr. Fraser, Mr. Stirling, Mr. Miller, John Rouayne, A. Ross, Mr. Taylor and G. A. M. Wilson.

Power to Spend.

On the proposal by Mr. Christopher Girling, seconded by Mr. P. H. Taylor the working Committee were empowered to spend up to One hundred dollars, (\$100) in connection with preliminary & legal expenses, and for fencing, levelling and beautifying the site.

It was decided that when the working Committee has completed its work they shall make a report of same to a general meeting called to receive it and to consider the appointment of a permanent body to control the cemetery. It was an instruction to the working Committee that $\frac{1}{4}$ of an acre only should be fenced in at present.

Temporary
Board of Management

It was agreed that pending the appointment of a permanent Board the Trustees should act as a temporary Board of Management to deal with questions of burial, allotment of spaces etc etc.