

**FUNERAL BOARD OF MANITOBA  
THE CEMETERIES ACT  
MINUTES**

**JULY 18, 2014**


**PRESENT:** Janine Ballingall Scotten, Darin Hoffman, Bob Clarke, Susan Boulter, and C. Fred Olds

**REGRETS:** Beth Rutherford

**GUESTS:** Kevin Danner, Denis Mager, John Delaney and Ljuba Keenan

- Susan welcomes the group and introduces Kevin Danner and Denis Mager.
- Kevin gives a brief overview of the steps to be taken during the review of *The Cemeteries Act*.
- The following list of issues is identified by the group:
  - Funding (upkeep and maintenance)
  - Lost and abandoned cemeteries, burial sites & archeological aspects
  - Definitions (list to be created)
  - Green burials (reuse of land)
  - Registry and Licensing (public access)
  - Licensing fees (missing or added)
  - Inspections (legislation)
  - Rules over crematoria
  - Financial (perpetual and care funds)
  - Passing of accounts
  - Public access to burial records
  - Consumer Protection
  - Proper sales persons
  - Disposition of unclaimed remains
  - Animal disposition
- Kevin and Denis are drafting a project plan and will continue background research to prepare for the consultation process. The group suggests they also research the following Acts:
  - (Church Cemetery Act)
  - (Religious Societies Lands Act)
- Consultations may have to be done "topic".
- This is a long time-frame for this to occur.

  
**Vice-Chair**

  
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