

# **Town of Jaffrey Cemetery Committee**

## **Next Meeting: Thursday 6 February 2014 at 2pm at the Town Office.**

This meeting will focus entirely on a review of the present Cemetery Rules and Regulations.

## **Notes on the Annual Meeting with the Town Manager and the Director of Public Works. Wednesday 20 November 2013.**

The following met at 3pm at the Town Office: Richard Boutwell, Dave Caron, Cynthia Hamilton, Randy Heglin, Don MacIsaac, Emily Preston, Kevin Sterling and Rob Stephenson.

No issues were brought to the Committee by the Town Manager or the Director of Public Works. Randy reported that the cemetery budget is essentially complete. The contract has been extended for a year at no increase in cost.

The Cemetery Trees and the Gravestone Restoration trust funds were discussed. The current balances (31 October) are \$2,470.98 and \$6,882.03, respectively. The Committee recommended to the Selectmen that the same amounts be requested at the 2014 Town Meeting: Cemetery Trees \$2,000 and Gravestone Restoration \$1,000.

Rob agreed to draft for Dave revised descriptions of the two funds for the Layman's Warrant.

Randy will contact the firm that did the tree work in the Old Burying Ground about pursuing the next phase perhaps this winter.

GreenLife Treecare will be asked to come up with some costs for removing a large pine in Cutter Extension and for cabling the large maple near Willa Cather's grave in the Old Burying Ground.

Randy reported that perhaps 18 persons had expressed interest in purchasing lots in Founders Row in Cutter Extension.

Rob briefed the Committee on the changes made to the Willa Cather gravesite: the unauthorized moving and adding of markers. This will be addressed in the upcoming review of the Rules and Regulations. Also, the issue of flexibility regarding concrete vaults. Should the Director have the authority to allow burial without vaults based on religious grounds?

The January meeting will be devoted solely to the review of the present Cemetery Rules and Regulations.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50.

<b>Randy Cournoyer</b>	Cournoyer Funeral Home	
<b>Don MacIsaac</b>	Selectmen Representative	
<b>Robert Stephenson</b>	Historical Society Representative	Village Cemetery Overseer
<b>Andy Roy</b>	V.F.W. Representative	Phillips-Heil Overseer
<b>Bill Sheldon</b>	American Legion Representative	
<b>Richard Boutwell</b>	Member at Large	Conant Overseer
<b>Cynthia Hamilton</b>	Member at Large	Cutter Overseer
<b>Kevin Sterling</b>	Member at Large	Old Burying Ground Overseer
<b>Emily Preston</b>	Member at Large	Conant Recorder
<b>Paul St Pierre</b>	Non-voting associate	Genealogist
<b>vacancy</b>	Member at Large	