

Town of Jaffrey Cemetery Committee

Next Meeting: Thursday 2 July 2015 at 2pm at Old Burying Ground then Cutter Cemetery

AGENDA:

- Inspection of Old Burying Ground and Cutter Cemetery
- Reports on other cemeteries
- Update from Cemetery Tour Committee

Notes on the meeting held on 11 June 2015 at 2pm at Conant Cemetery.

The following met at 2pm at Cutter Cemetery: Dick Boutwell, Bill Driscoll, Cynthia Hamilton, Don MacIsaac, Emily Preston, Randy Heglin, Paul St Pierre, Rob Stephenson, Kevin Sterling, Charles Turcotte.

Reports were give for the following cemeteries: Cutter (Cynthia Hamilton), Old Burying Ground (Kevin Sterling), Phillips-Heil (Bill Driscoll). No damage or issues were reported. Village (Rob Stephenson). One stone broken and on ground; entrance gate damaged. Andy Webber will be contacted about the latter.

Later the Committee toured Conant and found several damaged or downed headstones. These and the stone in Village Cemetery will be reported to John Kaufhold.

The grass condition in Conant is not good. Grubs have caused extensive damage. Apparently no spraying can be done as the cemetery is within a restricted water zone.

A large conifer near the Bean lot was inspected. Wayne Balnis will be asked to look at it. Randy will contact Steve Wright about doing some tree work along the entrance drive.

There was considerable discussion about developing a tour of one of our cemeteries that could focus on a number of prominent Jaffrey personages. This might be on a Sunday afternoon in September or October and could be co-sponsored with the Historical Society. A committee was formed to include Dick, Cynthia, Emily and Paul. Some of those graves mentioned were John Conant, Charles Rich, Dr Sweeney and Alonzo Bascom. They will report back at the July meeting.

Rob reported that he had been told that Bruce Hill would like to be on the Cemetery Committee. There presently is no open slot but he will be invited to attend meetings as an unofficial alternate.

Randy raised the issue of the number of upright monuments on a lot. Only one is allowed. Presently, a multi-grave lot in single ownership is considered a single lot and as such may only have one upright monument. He prefers to continue with this policy.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30pm.

FUTURE MEETING: On Thursdays at 2pm. 2 July at Old Burying Ground and Cutter Cemetery; 6 August at Village Cemetery and Smallpox Cemetery (followed by refreshments at Charlie's house); 3 September at Phillips-Heil Cemetery; 8 October at Town Office— Annual Meeting with DPW Director and Town Manager. Other meetings as needed.

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