

Town of Jaffrey

Cemetery Committee

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 25, 2016, Village Cemetery at 2pm, then the Smallpox Cemetery, followed by refreshments at the Turcottes. Heavy rain: no meeting

AGENDA:

- Reports on cemeteries
- Issues and projects for 2016

Notes on the meeting held on 7 July 2016 at 2pm at Phillips-Heil Cemetery.

The following met at 2pm at Phillips-Heil Cemetery: Bill Driscoll, Bruce Hill, Don MacIsaac, Rob Stephenson and Charlie Turcotte. Also, Randy Heglin.

Members reported on their cemeteries: Village Cemetery (Rob): Tent-like structures have been set up on the north fence of the Cemetery. Randy will arrange removal. Cutter (Bruce): no report. Phillips-Heil (Bill): see below. Conant (Dick): no report. Smallpox: Charlie reported that some brush/trees need cutting.

The Phillips-Heil Cemetery was toured. It appeared in good condition and few issues were noted. The wood rail fence could be replaced by evergreens. Still unclear who owns it: the Town or the adjoining property owner. One dead tree on the south side of the entrance road near the east end of the cemetery might be taken down.

Rob reported that he toured the Old Burying Ground and Cutter with Wayne Balnis determining treework to undertake before winter.

Rob reported that Margaret Pokorny is going to start watering the new trees in Cutter and that Aaron Abitz will mulch them (which will be paid for by the Cemetery Trees Public Trust Fund).

Rob reported that a steel flower basket holder has appeared at the Fortune headstones in the Old Burying Ground. It was removed. (It has since been learned that it was set up by the Amos Fortune Forum which has now spoken with Randy Heglin and that it will be allowed but only on the Fridays during the summer to indicate the location of the graves.)

Randy announced that Pru Proulx has asked to offer her services maintaining gravesites. Her business is called "Monumental Love." The Committee agreed that she could do so if she has insurance coverage, that her stone cleaning methods are appropriate and that she does not undertake on-site solicitation for her services. Bruce Hill offered to meet with her.

The meeting adjourned at about 2:35pm.

FUTURE MEETINGS: Thursday, **August 18** at Village and Smallpox Cemeteries. Work sessions in September. Thursday, **October 6**, meeting with Town Manager and Director of Public Works, Town Office.

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
Bruce Hill	Member at Large	Cutter Overseer
Emily Preston	Member at Large	Conant Recorder
Kevin Sterling	Member at Large	Old Burying Ground Overseer
William Driscoll	Member at Large	Phillips-Heil Overseer