

12/15/2015 Cemetery Minutes

Meeting called to order at 4:30 pm.

Those present were: Carole Nichter, Murt Durkee, AnnMarie Mouw, Brenda Thomas, Cindy Gorham, John Boardman, Bill Boardman, Sandy Oliver. A quorum was established.

Minutes were read from May 26th, 2015, and accepted.

Welcome to new member, John Boardman!!

OLD BUSINESS:

Wooden Cemetery Signs: Murt got last 2 to put away for winter. John will work on signs this winter. I am going to have Fred cut PC Pipe. Bill questioned, should we get our own auger? Maybe borrow one from Will Aldrich. Decided not to buy one. Sprayers are being stored up to Transfer Station, and rest of equipment stored at the Town Office.

Sherman Point/ Tarratine: Money was put into budget, to hire Sue Hatch. She

Did sheet mulching with cardboard. We received a generous donation from the Tarratine, and we finished it!! It will require yearly summer work, to stay on top of it. The club will give us their guys (Keith, etc) to cut sumac back!! Cindy says we need help to reset stones. Ground is so unlevel, we need some professional help. Cindy will call Maine Monument Service in Appleton.

Bayview Gate: Not that bad, will check back in the Spring, to look at it.

Documentation: Just about ready to put online. 1633 graves to date. The storage stick will be given to Page over the winter to do this.

NEW BUSINESS:

On Trautman land, stones and bodies were moved, then only stones were moved. The land is trying to be sold, but there are still bodies there. Archeologists were hired by the owners, and ground penetrating radar used. A report was done, but they will not share information. Cindy was told to be patient. Lawyers may need to be hired in the future. Kudos to Cindy for all her work and patience.

Dodge Cemetery: Bruce has done lots of work cleaning and clearing.

July Intruders: On July 24th, 2015 the cemetery committee was notified by a party from off island that they were interested in doing work in one of the privately owned cemeteries in town. The land owner was notified of this request and requested the committee notify the people involved that they were not to trespass on this property or do any kind of work on the cemetery. The party involved had already trespassed on the land and they were not related to anyone in the cemetery. Carole Nichter, committee chair, notified the party involved, of the landowner's request.

Sprague Cemetery: Pauper stones; Murt received 20 cement stones to place on cemeteries @ head of graves. There are no names on stones, but are documented on cemetery maps.

Veteran List: Steve Rolerson went AWOL, and we cannot supply flag

Dallas Collins only registered, never served, we cannot supply flag

Is Arnold Merritt buried here?

Wreaths: Carole purchased 2 wreaths for Bayview and Sprague, and hung them.

Jan Harmon: Do we want some land to extend Sprague Cemetery? Sprague is closed for burials as of now. Carole will follow through with talking to her.

Rathburn Dodge Cemetery: We need to put boundaries around cemetery.

Budget: We now have \$6616.20 in our account. A motion was made and passed, to ask for \$7500.00 at next town meeting, fiscal year 2015/2016.

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM

Respectfully Submitted,



Brenda Thomas