

Islesboro Cemetery Committee

Minutes

July 16, 201~~2~~³

The meeting was called to order at 4:35PM. Present were Carole Nichter, Murton Durkee, Cindy Gorham and William Boardman. A quorum was established. The minutes from Nov. 20, 2012 were read and accepted after the following change. "Carole will contact Tom Fence in Warren to get (instead of give) an estimate for this work."

Cemetery members terms were review with the following expiration dates. Carole Nichter-term expires 2014, Charlotte Mitchell-term expires 2014, Cindy Gorham-term expires 2014, William Boardman-term expires 2016, Julie Reidy-term expires 2016, Brenda Thomas-term expires 2015, Murton Durkee-term expites 2015. There are 7 members with staggered 3 year terms.

Old Business: Cindy Gorham reported on tree and shrub cleanup at Sprague Cemetery done as a community service project by Curtis Hall. Small trees and shrubs are periodically removed from the outside and inside of the wall to prevent future damage from roots. Thank you Curtis. Murton Durkee reported the new flag poles for Sprague and Bayview are on the island and will be installed soon. The old flag pole at Bayview will be given to the Graf family as it was originally installed by a family member. The front gate repairs are done. Work was done by Eric Tierny and crew and included welding repairs of all broken parts and scraping and painting of all parts of the gate. Costs for the repairs were \$875.00.

New Business: There has been damage done to the chain link fence at the back of the cemetery, specifically to the double car gate. Several pieces are missing, hinges are hanging and the gate is cockeyed. A motion to contact Tom Fence of Warren to see if they can repair it was made. Motion seconded and carried 4-0. Carole will contact them. There are 3 large dead trees on the land of Peg Hatch to the south of the cemetery that need to be removed before they fall and damage the chain link fence. Murton Durkee has offered to remove them as he has the equipment. He has spoken to Mrs. Hatch about the situation. Bill Boardman suggested Murton Durkee be paid a stipend for doing the work and suggested \$150.00. Murton stated he would look at the trees and get back to us with a price.

The rock wall at Sprague Cemetery needs repair in about 4 places. Bill Boardman will contact local rock workers to see if they can give the committee an estimate for repairs. There are a few more small trees that need to be removed from inside the cemetery wall plus the whole southern side outside the wall needs cleaned up and trees thinned out. There is also a tall leaning tree on the north side that needs removed. Carole Nichter will contact the town manager to see if the town crew can clean this area up. It adjoins town land.

Someone has posted "No Trespassing" signs at the end of the Bayview road entrance. No name was written on the signs. There is a 40ft. right of way on this road for cemetery use. These signs should not be here. Janet Anderson, the town manager, is investigating to try to find out who may have put them up.

A suggestion was made by Cindy Gorham that the committee erect a sign at Bayview that will direct people to the entrance of the cemetery which is at the back of the cemetery. The sign would say "Bayview Cemetery Entrance" A motion was made to accept this suggestion, seconded and passed with a 4-0 vote. Cindy Gorham will order the sign through the town's sources.

Cemetery documentation: Brenda Thomas has finished adding all the names of documented burials in Islesboro cemeteries into an excel program. After it is proof read it will be posted on the Islesboro cemetery website under the town's main website.

Being no further business, the meeting was dismissed at 5:30PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carole Nichter Chairman