

Cemetery Trustee Minutes 8/15/23

Meeting opened by Cheri at the Andover Town Office at 7 PM. Members present were Cheri Swenson and Beth Frost.

We looked over and approved the minutes from July.

Cheri passed out an agenda as well as a report from Dana, our sexton.

Old Business:

Mowing - Our contract doesn't specify if we can renew. We will investigate. So far, the mowing has gone well. We have heard that one of the Selectmen wants to have the town take over the mowing...again! Cheri will go to their 9/14 meeting to discuss this. If ok for us to still do this, we will need to meet with the Poulins to find out if they are interested in doing again next year.

Hobb-Sweat - New fence done and looks great!

Gravestone cleaning - more dates on August 26, Sept 9 and 9/23 and Oc 7.

Cemetery Stone Repairs - These have been done in E. Andover cemetery and they look good. Keith will walk the cemeteries at some point w/Cheri to see what else needs to be done.

Budget for 2024 - So far this year, we are doing well....under budget.

New Business:

New members? We will need someone to run as trustee in March as Beth will not be running again. Also, Jim has expressed that he may want to get off the board. One suggestion would be Lance Ford or Susan Huntoon.

Need to schedule tours of our more inaccessible cemeteries: Rollins, Bachelor, Sam Hill, and Brickyard Rd (call Wood Sutton to show us where that is), College Rd (Bachelder) and one on Armand Boisvert property.

Repairwork in cemeteries - we will schedule a walk to determine what needs to be done next

Article for Beacon - Cheri did one

Water shut off - At September meeting we need to schedule the October water shut off and have the pipes blown out. Tony will do. We will have him do Lakeview the third week. Proctor will shut off that cemetery & Tony will blow out both.

We discussed changing our meetings back to Wednesday nights....the 3rd one or keeping on Tuesdays and get a key to the library. Cheri will talk w/Michaela.

Other Business: - Talk w/Historical Society about joining for an event...walking thru a cemetery and talking about a specific person buried there. Maybe a scavenger hunt for kids.

Meeting adjourned t 7:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Frost, Secretary