Cemetery Trustee Minutes 8/13/19

Present: Bill K, Pat C, Jim R, JoAnn H and Beth F.

The Minutes from last meeting, 7/17/19, were approved.

The stones in the cemetery behind the church in East Andover have finally been repaired by Beede. They did the work for the price they had quoted us two years ago! (\$1,200). Pat suggested that we send a letter to Beede to thank him and ask if he would like to do more work. Beth will do a letter. Pat will check the cemeteries to see just what needs to be done and make a list. She thinks there are Stone repairs needed in Osborne's cemetery as well as in the Elbow Pond Rd one. Bill noted that Evans Tree Service still has not taken care of the old trees in the Osborne cemetery.

Bill sold a cremation lot to Rick Janson (lives near Mark Thompson) in the East Andover cemetery. Also, he met with the Roberts family members (Corinne Ludy, Libby Roberts, and Jim Roberts). Corinne wanted to bury her husband's cremains in the Roberts family lot. The lot is 35 sq ft. There are already two cremains there....those of James and his wife, Dorothy. The three children want their own and spouses also buried there. These are in the East Andover cemetery in Lots 13 C and 13 B. These lots were originally sold by the then town administrator, Dana Headly, and he told them the price included plain corner stones. They want initialed ones and Bill told them they would have to pay the difference between plain and initialed ones. We won't charge to install them.

Bill also met with Buffy and Linda Ford (sisters) last month. They have not returned their forms with payments yet. We can't hold the lots indefinitely so we need to write to them to that affect next month if we don't hear from them.

A woman called Bill about finding her relatives grave. She is from New Mexico and is related to the Whitcombs: Paul and the late John. She said the graves were in the East Andover cemetery. According to the map, it is in Section 11, Row 10, Lot 14; however, Bill can NOT find a deed copy! (Maybe the relative does not have the last name Whitcomb!)

Bill also had a call from Brenda Taylor. She is the daughter of Myrtie Small, who was Ernest Blake's partner. Myrtie and Ernest are buried in the same lot in Proctor Cemetery. Apparently, Ernest's daughter planted a tree/shrub there and it has grown very large. Brenda says that she now owns this lot and she wants the shrub removed. Also, she wants to sell half the lot (it is a big lot). Bill told her she needs proof that she owns the lot before she can sell it and also, that she can not sell it for a profit.

Bill talked with Joe Poulin again and he will definitely do the hedge trimming at Proctor....for a little more than he did three years ago.

Bill asked that we also send a letter to Smart Funeral Home to let them know that we now use Robbie French for all digging and give them his cell number (603-738-3501).

Bill wants to put \$500 in our budget for our secretary.....who doesn't feel it's necessary.

Pat C said we still have about \$17,000 left in our budget.

We have changed our meeting times to the second Tuesday of the month at 1 PM so that Jim can attend. Meeting adjourned at 2 pm.