Grafton Cemetery Trustees

Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2023

Meeting called to order by Jay Boucher at 6:02 pm

Trustees present: Jay Boucher, Dianne Burrington, Heather Hunter

Others present: Ed Grinley, Cindy Kudlik

Dianne moved to accept the March 9, 2023, minutes. Jay seconded

Dianne motioned to appoint Jay as Chairman. Heather seconded

Jay motioned to appoint Dianne as Bookkeeper and to take minutes. Heather seconded

Jay nominated Cindy Kudlik as an alternate, Cindy accepted, and Dianne seconded

Jay nominated Ed Grinley as Cemetery Sexton. Dianne seconded

Old Business:

Jay will continue to work on a mapping system for Pine Grove Cemetery

Cemetery Clean Up will begin is usually done in May. If Carl returns to work for us Ed will see if he can do the clean up.

Ed explained that Laconia monument no longer has an employee to set the cornerstones at Pine Grove and he is behind in getting them installed. Cindy offered to help.

Ed still needs to talk with Carl about seasonal help mowing, etc. at all cemeteries (everyone was pleased with the job Carl did last year). If Carl won't be returning, Ed will let Cindy know to post the job.

New Business:

Jay brought up changing the day of our meeting due to a conflict with his work. The 4th Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm was suggested and discussed. Motioned by Dianne, seconded by Heather

Cemetery Stone cleaning schedule has been posted on the town's web site. Cindy will oversee the schedule, supplies and volunteers.

Heather said that Dan Moore had asked her about placing a wooden headstone at Aime Jacques' grave. It was suggested that Dan come to a Cemetery Trustees meeting and talk to all the Trustees in person about what he wants to do.

Ed asked who would be doing deeds. Cindy will continue to until Dianne learns how.

Ed reported that the fence at Pine Grove was damaged during winter plowing. Dianne will put together a letter to send to the Selectmen to ask that they have the Highway Department repair it. (*Note: After Jay & Dianne both looked at it, it was determined it's not a big deal & we can fix it ourselves)

Correspondence:

From Kate Waldo, Parks and Cemetery Project Manager looking for volunteers to work on damage and clean up at the Merrill Cemetery in Manchester on April 22, 2023.

From Graeme Arthur from Plotbox, regarding green burials

Sexton Report:

Ed said he has 11 burials from the winter months to take care of.

No new lots sold

Meeting adjourned: 7:01 pm

Next meeting: May 25, 2023 at 6:00pm

Submitted by Dianne Burrington