CEMETERY TRUSTEE MEETING JUNE 14, 2011

PRESENT: Donald Burke, Janet Brown, Robert Gordon

GUEST: Judy Rogers

Meeting called to order @5:05pm.

The minutes of May were read and accepted by all.

Thank you, Jon Colburn for the outstanding job replacing the old fence at Center Square. It looks great. We voted to replace end gate with 3 removable boards that will match the new fence.

We also had Jon replace fence rails at East Weare and Johnson Cemetery.

The stone wall is being rebuilt by Andrew Spielberger at Dow Peaslee on Rte 77 in North Weare. Thank you, Andrew for your skill and expertise in old stone wall reconstruction. The men that did that wall years ago are grateful and pleased to see it done.

Mr. Spielberger informed us that about 45 feet of 6x6 granite caps on backside of cemetery are missing. The extras cost for these granite slabs would cost \$2,375.00. This granite capping of wall would match old wall granite.

Janet made motion, Don Burke seconded to accept Andy's amount of \$2,375.00 to complete this wall. All in favor.

Janet will attend the Board of Selectmen's meeting on June 20, 2011 to explain to Selectman the extra charge. This will come out of our construction fund.

We opened two bids for removing two 120 feet large pine trees in Pine Grove that are dying and are dangerous. If they fall they would damage many headstones.

Rob Gordon made motion, Don Burke seconded to accept bid of EHF Tree Service in the amount of \$2,800.00. All in favor. He will cut down two large pine trees that are leaning. Cut down, chip brush and haul away brush and wood. He will also grind up both stumps and all stump chips will be cleaned up and hauled away.

We also had a bid from Jason Abair in the amount of \$3,000.00. Thank you, Jason for bidding on this project.

We were made aware of serious damage being done to large Follansbee movement in Oil Mill Cemetery. The base of this tombstone has been undermined by running water flowing down this Cemetery. Janet and Don asked Robert Gordon if he could hire him to fix this lot by using crushed granite as a base fill into the area that has been destroyed stamp down material then loam and seed lot. He accepted our concerns and will complete this job by the weekend, weather permitting. Thanks Rob.

Cemetery Trustees 6/16/11 continued.

We have major problems at this 1800 Oil Mill Cemetery. Many years of water and rain has destroyed cemetery base of gravel, loam and grass and has undermined stones. We will look at drainage problems and all other problems of this cemetery.

Don Burke will call Tony Sawyer to see if we can get the inmates to help us restore this cemetery land and reset all stones. We will address all of this 1800 cemetery.

We discussed cemetery plots because we were all unaware of what was available in this cemetery. We were surprised to learn that only lots left were in Pine Grove Cemetery.

We will look into see if we can add lots at North End of Eaton Johnson. Janet will call Ray Eaton to see if old tree stumps were buried here years ago.

Sherry Burdick called Rob Gordon. The Weare Historical Committee have many cemetery signs that need to be installed at the cemeteries. She has a young man that will install and dig post holes for posts. Don Burke will meet with them and direct them to where cemeteries are. Sherry will try and get lilacs from State for Center Square Cemetery.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Brown, Secretary