

CEMETERY TRUSTEE MEETING
AUGUST 9, 2011

PRESENT: Donald Burke, Janet Brown, Robert Gordon

GUEST: Judy Rogers

Meeting called to order @5:00pm.

July meeting minutes were read and accepted by all.

We talked about the Gordon Brown land that abuts the Center Square Cemetery to see if he would meet with us to see if there is a possibility of obtaining some land to expand his cemetery. Janet and Burt will contact him to see when we could do this.

We are going to do test pits at the North end of East Weare and Johnson Cemeteries to see if area is suitable for more gravesites. Judy Rogers said Donald knows where stumps were buried at lower end. Don Rogers, Rob Gordon, Don Burke and Burt Brown will assess the area.

Robert Gordon, Trustee has donated his 3-1/2 hours of labor at Oil Mill Cemetery at the Follansbee monument. Heavy rain had eroded a large section under the base of this 14 foot monument. He had to carry buckets up the hill to this gravesite. He spread 3 yards of crushed gravel, tampered gravel firmly around area and base. Thanks Rob for your generosity to the town. We could have lost this 1790 and many other early headstones had this fallen. Great job done.

The Trustees wanted to review all cemetery lots that have been sold and what is available at all cemeteries for the Town to sell. The Trustees were surprised to learn from Judy Rogers that all these records are not at the Town office, only maps and cemetery lot deeds. Donald Rogers, Sexton has all information on lots at all cemeteries at his and Judy Rogers home.

We will meet with Don and Judy Rogers, Town Clerk Maureen Billodeau, and Town Administrator Naomi Bolton to get all this information at the Town office on file as required by State law. Town Administrator, Naomi Bolton will make arrangements for all of us to meet as soon as possible.

Robert Gordon will contact Tim Redmond, Director of Public Works to meet with him about the Oil Mill Cemetery stone wall work. We hope he will have some suggestions on how we get job done being so close to road.

We will be doing a new contract for lawn care which expires this year. We may do contract for 1 year. We will review normal clean up storm damage. Public still dissatisfied with conditions at some cemeteries. We will continue this contract talk in September.

Jeff Wigsten is interested in applying for grave digging when Mr. Purington retires. We will review all applications.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Brown, Secretary

August 8, 2011

Dear Andrew,

The Cemetery Trustees want to thank you for doing such an outstanding job rebuilding the Dow Peaslee Cemetery Stone Wall.

When I stood there admiring your workmanship I swear I could hear Veteran's and the men and women laid to rest in this quaint cemetery singing "Halleluiah" hats off to Andrew Spielberger for restoring this wall as it was done long ago as we all watched from above as each stone was reset in its exact place it was priceless.

The Town of Weare has shown great respect for someone's loved ones by redoing this wall. Thanks to the voters who support our efforts.

God Bless Andrew

Sincerely,

Janet Brown, Donald Burke, Robert Gordon

August 8, 2011

Dear Jon,

The Cemetery Trustees want to thank you for building a great wooden fence at Center Square. We all are pleased we followed the original footprint. We think closing in the end gate area made it just right.

Thank you for your fairness in bidding. We appreciate it.

Thank you also for replacing 12 fence rails in East Weare and Johnson Cemeteries. Your workmanship is hard to beat just another outstanding job.

I think if you listen real hard you would hear all the Veteran's, men and women buried at Center Square Cemetery all singing "Halleluiah" as they watched each board put in place in their old granite posts.

The Town of Weare has shown great respect for all the people buried at the cemeteries we have done work at.

Thanks to the voters who support our efforts. Job well done Jon.

God Bless

Sincerely,

Janet Brown, Donald Burke, Robert Gordon