

Minutes: Cemetery Trustees meeting of 14 July 2016

Present: Trustees Gordon Clough & Mary Quintana & Sexton, Will Shoemaker

Absent: Trustee, Don Crate

1. A discussion re: the two trees removed from Paddleford Cemetery in Dec. 2015. The funds for this should have come from the 2015 fiscal year. Instead, they were charged to Special Projects in 2016. The spending should have come from, and should be transferred to, Expendable Trust income.
2. The scattering park is still on the agenda for this season.
3. Reminder. When hiring a contractor, he/she must present a certificate of insurance and a W-9.
4. After speaking with Jim Taylor, and considering cemetery and town needs, it is likely cost effective to buy, rather than rent, a small excavator. Mr. Taylor will research new vs. used and costs. The Cemetery Trustees will then vote on whether or not to approve 1/2 (one half) the cost from Brunn Trust funds. Our primary uses would be to maintain both the road to and walls abutting Lockhaven Cemetery and use to dig graves in areas of Lakeview and Montcalm or other cemeteries where larger equipment can't go.
5. There is a long term and ongoing problem with tilted/falling stones in many of our older cemeteries. There are simply not enough man hours available through building and grounds to keep up with straightening stones. Therefore, Will Shoemaker will speak with John Keene (owner of Keene Monuments) to certain the cost of having this service done by him.

Mary Quintana
Secretary