

Town of Jaffrey Cemetery Committee

Next Meeting: Wednesday 16 May 2012, 2 pm, at Conant Cemetery (if rain Town Offices)

Agenda

- Condition of Conant Cemetery
- Conant storage shed
- Town cemetery record keeping progress
- Cutter Extension layout issues
- Tree work in 2012
- Village Cemetery stone resetting
- Database and recordkeeping at Conant. Update from Emily
- Database and recordkeeping at Cutter. Update from Rob
- Hearse storage options
- Work sessions in 2012, spring onward: Conant fence; Village hearse house painting; Old Burying Ground & Village Cemetery stone straightening. Smallpox Cemetery clean-up. Can we get some volunteers beyond our members?

Notes on the Meeting of 2 February 2012

The following met at 3pm at Jaffrey Town Offices: Dick Boutwell, Randy Cournoyer, Cynthia Hamilton, Don MacIsaac, Emily Preston, Andy Roy, Rob Stephenson and Kevin Sterling.

The Committee's annual report was submitted to the Town with some corrections and additions.

The DPW has purchased the application FileMaker Pro and will be developing a database for cemetery records.

The steel flagpole at the Old Burying Ground was discussed. It was decided to ask Dennis Wright to paint it before Memorial Day.

Before and after photographs of the Old Burying Ground were passed around showing the maple trees that were removed. Additional trees, mostly white pine, have been tagged for removal, hopefully this year.

Emily reported that she is at least halfway through recording and photographing the gravestones in Conant Cemetery. And Rob reported that he is more than halfway through entering information on the graves in Cutter Cemetery collected by Cynthia. Some photography is yet to be done at Phillips-Heil.

Randy suggested that the new shed for Conant be placed in approximately the same location as the present shed. He will raise this with Randy Heglin. Rob noted that the state prison sells sheds made by prisoners. This might be looked into as an option.

John Kaufhold will be asked to repair, reset and straighten headstones on Village Cemetery during the spring, summer or fall of this year.

The issue of the two antique hearses was again discussed within the context of either building a new Hearse House at the Old Burying Ground designed to exhibit the hearses or installing structures within the Horse Sheds to display the hearses. It appears that the building trades program at Conant-Conval could undertake the construction. The materials would have to be provided by others, though.

Suggested dates for future meetings in 2012 were discussed. They are May 2, June 27, August 1, September 19 and November 21. These are all Wednesdays. We will meet at 3 pm, most times at a specific cemetery. The November meeting will be with the Town Manager and the Director of Public Works as required by the resolution establishing the Committee.

Randyl Cournoyer	Cournoyer Funeral Home	
Don MacIsaac	Selectmen Representative	
Robert Stephenson	Historical Society Representative,	Village Cemetery Overseer
Andy Roy	V.F.W. Representative	
vacant	American Legion Representative	
Richard Boutwell	Member at Large	Conant Overseer
Cynthia Hamilton	Member at Large	Cutter Overseer
Tom Rothermal	Member at Large	Phillips-Heil Overseer
Kevin Sterling	Member at Large	Old Burying Ground Overseer
Emily Preston	Member at Large	Conant Recorder