Town of Jaffrey Cemetery Committee

Next Meeting: Wednesday 19 September 2012, 3 pm, at Conant Cemetery (if rain Town Offices) THIS WILL BE A COMBINED MEETING & IRON FENCE WORK SESSION.

Agenda

- Condition of Conant Cemetery
- OBG tree work in 2012-13—update
- Cutter Extension layout issues
- Conant storage shed—update
- Town cemetery record keeping progress
- 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 8 August 2012

The following met at 2pm at the Old Burying Ground: Dick Boutwell, Cynthia Hamilton, Randy Heglin, Emily Preston, Andy Roy, Rob Stephenson and Kevin Sterling.

Tom, unable to attend, inspected Phillips-Heil the day before and sent two photos: One of a leaning wood post at the road leading to Heil and the other, of the decaying split rail fence between the cemetery and the neighboring property. The post was removed. The fence probably needs to be replaced but it's probably not the Town's but the property owner. Otherwise, the cemetery appears to be in good condition other than a few small branches down.

The new Cutter trees are doing well. Rob read the letter written by Cynthia and Emily to the garden clubs thanking them for their efforts. He also read a letter sent to Dennis Wright thanking him for painting the flagpole.

No report on Cutter Extension layout issues.

No report on the Conant storage shed. Another shed has been ordered for elsewhere in town and once that arrives the Committee can inspect it.

Emily and Randy reported on the cemetery data base progress. A summer worker has been inputting the data collected by Emily into a FileMaker Pro database. Approximately three-quarters of the work has been done.

Rob reported that the tree work recommended at the last meeting in the Old Burying Ground and Cutter Cemetery was accomplished by Greenlife Tree Care. The stone repair work in Conant and the Old Burying Ground has yet to be done by John Kaufhold but he hopes to get to it soon.

No report on the hearse storage options.

Cynthia reported that Paul St Pierre has expressed interest in being on the Committee. There is one slot open, that of the American Legion representative. If Paul is a member of the Legion he will be invited to attend the September meeting.

Depending on weather there will be work sessions in September and early October scraping and painting the fence around John Conant's grave. Rob will e-mail out notices a day or so before. Generally these will be scheduled for 4 to 5. The September 19th meeting will combine both work session and meeting, starting at 3pm.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:40 pm.

Suggested dates for future meetings: September 19 and October 24. These are both Wednesdays. The October 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 BoutwellMember at LargeConant OverseerCynthia HamiltonMember at LargeCutter OverseerTom RothermelMember at LargePhillips-Heil OverseerKevin SterlingMember at LargeOld Burying Ground OverseerEmily PrestonMember at LargeConant Recorder