

# Town of Jaffrey Cemetery Committee

## Next Meeting: None scheduled (spring 2016)

### AGENDA:

- Reports on cemeteries
- Update from Cemetery Tour Committee

### Notes on the meeting held on 8 October 2015 at 2pm at the Town Office.

The following met at 2pm at the Town Office: Richard Boutwell, Cynthia Hamilton, Don MacIsaac, Emily Preston, Bill Sheldon, Rob Stephenson, Kevin Sterling and Charles Turcotte. Also, Dave Caron, Randy Heglin and Bruce Hill.

This meeting was the Committee's Annual Meeting at which it meets with the Town Manager and the Director of Public Works, as called for in the resolution establishing the Committee.

Randy Heglin reported that the Town had extended for one year the contract with Katsura Landscaping for mowing of the cemeteries as a cost of \$23,500. All are satisfied with the work done by this contractor.

Randy noted that the Fall Cleanup will occur during appropriate weather in November. Members are invited to assist.

Randy also discussed the new cemetery database and distributed printouts of it. This will allow anyone to search for relevant information on their computers.

The Committee discussed the two expendable Town trust funds related to cemeteries: Cemetery Trees and Gravestone Restoration. A certain amount is put into each at Town Meeting. Last year the two totalled \$3,000. The Committee decided to recommend to the Town Manager and the Selectmen that a sum of \$1,000 be added to each at next year's Town Meeting.

Emily Preston reported for the Cemetery Tour Committee. The Committee plans to meet on October 19th. The tour will be on a Sunday afternoon in June with a raindate. (Suggested date: June 5 with the 12th as a raindate.) This will be a joint program with the Jaffrey Historical Society. Rob Stephenson will help with the brochure/handout.

Charlie Turcotte reported that he had removed the chain from the tree in Phillips-Heil. The granite post still needs straightening. Randy noted that the Town had done some tree work there, also as a result of last month's inspection.

Rob announced that he would continue for another year as the informal coordinator of the Committee but will expect that some other Committee member will take over at the next Annual Meeting.

Rob announced that if there is a good day in the week ahead that he would e-mail members to arrange a work session at the Old Burying Ground to straighten stones.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45pm.

**FUTURE MEETING:** No future meetings were scheduled. The first meeting of 2016 will be in April or May and will be at Conant Cemetery.

<b>Randyl Cournoyer</b>	Cournoyer Funeral Home	
<b>Don MacIsaac</b>	Selectmen Representative	
<b>Robert Stephenson</b>	Historical Society Representative	Village Cemetery Overseer
<b>Charles Turcotte</b>	V.F.W. Representative	
<b>Bill Sheldon</b>	American Legion Representative	
<b>Richard Boutwell</b>	Member at Large	Conant Overseer
<b>Cynthia Hamilton</b>	Member at Large	Cutter Overseer
<b>Emily Preston</b>	Member at Large	Conant Recorder
<b>Kevin Sterling</b>	Member at Large	Old Burying Ground Overseer
<b>Paul St Pierre</b>	Associate	Genealogist
<b>William Driscoll</b>	Member at Large	Phillips-Heil Overseer
<b>Bruce Hill</b>	Associate	