Town of Jaffrey Cemetery Committee

Next Meeting: July 7, 2016, Phillips-Heil Cemetery.

AGENDA:

Reports on cemeteries

Recap: Conant Cemetery Tour Issues and projects for 2016

Notes on the meeting held on 16 June 2016 at 2pm at Old Burying Ground and Cutter Cemetery.

The following met at 2pm at the Old Burying Ground: Richard Boutwell, Bill Driscoll, Bruce Hill, Rob Stephenson, Kevin Sterling and Charlie Turcotte. Also, Randy Heglin.

Members reported on their cemeteries: Village Cemetery (Rob): no report. Cutter (Bruce): rock at entrance to be re-positioned by Katsura. Phillips-Heil (Bill): rail fence is disintegrating. Conant (Dick): he and Emily straightened a headstone.

The Old Burying Ground was toured. The Willa Cather monument has been power washed by John Kaufhold and Katsura has added plantings around it. This was paid for from the Willa Cather Trust. Several small trees nearby will be taken down this season. The new gate built by Andy Webber at the northeast corner was inspected. It will be painted later this season. The wires along the east wall are touching trees. Randy has reported it to Eversource/Asplundh but has not heard back. Those present agreed that any and all trees along the wall could come down if that's what Eversource/Asplundh suggests. The cemetery guide on the west end of the Horsesheds has greatly faded in the past year. Rob has a replacement and will install it. Randy asked if we would like to have the area behind and beside the Little Red Schoolhouse thinned out. We agreed it could be. The Town has a new chipper and would like to have a training session and it could be held there.

The Committee then went to Cutter Cemetery inspecting the Extension first. A new monument (a granite bench) has been placed along the wall (Sally Roberts). The maple trees along the south boundary are present but not particularly thriving. Rob mentioned that a boy scout might take on planning and developing the ash scattering area as an Eagle project. Asplundh has taken down one maple along the east wall. This had been previously agreed to by Randy and by Wayne Balnis.

Bruce talked about a stone cleaning liquid called "D2" which he used on the stones at Conant that were in the Walking Tour. This is something he's used before and is recommended by the Park Service, etc. He has had good luck with it for removing lichen, etc. See http://www.d2bio.com

The Conant Walking Tour was postponed because of rain and has been rescheduled for June 18th at 3pm. The meeting adjourned at about 2:45pm.

FUTURE MEETINGS: Thursday, **July 7** at Philips-Heil Cemtery. Thursday, **August 18** at Village and Smallpox Cemeteries. Work sessions in September. Thursday, **October 6**, meeting with Town Manager and Director of Public Works, Town Office.

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Robert Stephenson Historical Society Representative Village Cemetery Overseer

Charles Turcotte V.F.W. Representative

Bill Sheldon American Legion Representative

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