

Uxbridge Historic Cemetery Committee Minutes

July 19, 2011

Members Present: Sheryl Romasco, Jill Kenrick, Roy Henry, Shelly Merriam, and Beth Butler.
Absent: Mary Brundage and Dierdra Cahill

Call to order at 7:03 PM.

Minutes of May 17, 2011 accepted and signed.

Motion made to accept the minutes of May 17, 2011 made by Beth and seconded by Roy.

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OLD BUSINESS:

1. Bassett Cemetery # 4/Rockmeadow Road Extension: Discussion about tree-log barrier placed upon an existing road/or "private way." Also a "fire road." No resolution yet.
2. Update on Accounts & Trust Funds Balances: Sheryl reports that all accounts are fine and balanced to date.
3. Quaker City Cemetery #23: Beth reports that the more oversight needed concerning the prior brush and shrub cleaning work done earlier in the year – that new shrubs and sprouts are again growing, and need to be kept down during mowing. Also the historic cemetery sign for Quaker City is now missing! Shelly to contact the original sign maker, (Forge Signs in Greenville, RI) to get a replacement sign.
4. Joseph Richardson Cemetery #14: Roy reports that the Power Company has re-enforced the fencing and the double-metal gates to the power line next to the King Street entrance to the cemetery. Question as to have has keys to the gates lock? Sheryl to speak to Lt. Emerick about keys.
5. Buffum Cemetery #25: The Buffum Family Association has contributed \$50. 00 to the Buffum Cemetery.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Future Eagle Scout Project: Sheryl gave Lisa Ahern a tour of the cemeteries, beginning with Prospect Hill Cemetery. Several project options were given as possible scout project activities, which Lisa will present at their Summer Camp for starting in the fall season. Lisa Ahern will contact Sheryl once project is decided upon.
2. Community Volunteer Program: Sheryl has accepted the assistance of a program offering community volunteer doing 25 hours of services. Twelve historic cemetery

signs still needed to be placed. The signs and posts will be placed by volunteer, with Sheryl and husband, Harry, overseeing the work.

3. Gravestone Preservation Workshop: Roy attended this one-day workshop sponsored by the Blackstone Valley Heritage Corridor Commission on Saturday, June 4, 2011. Copies of several “cleaning techniques” were provided to members along with the following websites for more information: www.gravestonepreservation.info/ and www.findstone.com/Library/stainremoval.htm
4. Form E’s and pictures for Mass Historical: Sheryl with the assistance of new member Dierdra, will begin work to complete this project for state recognition of our historic cemeteries.
5. Faith Fellowship Volunteer Sunday: Sheryl to contact the church to thank members for past assistance, but future volunteer activities for fall season will not be requested.
6. Aldrich Cemetery #10 on West Street – question of fencing needs?

No meeting scheduled for August 2011.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at 7:00 PM, at the Farnum House

Motion made to adjourn at 8:20 PM by Beth, seconded by Shelly. Unanimous.

U.H.C.C. Meeting Minutes for July 19, 2011

Approved unanimously on Tuesday, September 20, 2011:

Beth J Buttr

Mary H. Brundage

Jill C Kenrick

Sheryl Romanos

Roy Henry

Sheryl Romanos

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Kenrick
Secretary
Uxbridge Historic Cemetery Committee