

Waterboro Cemetery Committee

July 13, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Meeting started at 7PM

Location: Gym in Old Town Hall

Attendees: Angela McCoy, Jon Gale, Matt and Diane Brooker, Joy Jones, Woody Shute

Special guest: Jeannie Grant

Review of standing items:

- Budget Status update. \$5,000.00 was approved by the annual town meeting to fund the Cemetery Committee. \$2,000.00 is for the caretaker and \$3,000.00 is for new inventory supplies. IE: leaf blower, rakes and etc.

Old Business:

- Inventory list has been updated with the new items purchased.
- Girl Scouts still waiting to confirm a commitment to clean the West Road Cemetery.
- Chase/ Newbegin sign is 80% complete with Matt Brooker to complete and place back on the site.
- The "Smith" stone on Ossippee Mt was found.
- Autumn Green is waiting for a list to make up signs for illegible stones.

New Business

- D2 demonstration scheduled for 6:30PM on the next scheduled Cemetery Mtg. (cleaning demo for stones).
- Where are people working? A work sheet is available for cemeteries that have been worked on. The sheet allows other members to see when a cemetery was last maintained. Contact Angela if you are interested in obtaining or reviewing a past work sheet. Woody is planning to adopt a cemetery and update Angela with his location. Matt and Diane have volunteered to adopt Israel Coffin Cemetery on the West Road. John also responded to a sink hole and resolved the issue in a nearby lot.
- Volunteers for cemetery adoptions were discussed. Woody plans to contact the local ATV club and see if he can generate some interest.
- "Right by law" to access graves and legal documentation. Members would like to have a copy when working cemeteries to avoid any land owners misunderstandings of our purpose. Angela is researching how to obtain the document for the next meeting.
- Jeannie Grant attended our meeting and was full of useful information. She mentioned that a photo book is available with pictures of the stones in many of the various cemeteries for reference. Another reference is a book written by Frederick R. Boyle called *Early Families of Waterborough Maine*. Angela is going to check with the library to see if they have the book on site. The book is full of information for anyone doing genealogy research.

Next meeting August 10, 2015 7:00PM

6:30 PM Come early for the D2 demonstration on cleaning stones. Article