

Waterboro Cemetery Committee

August 10, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Stone cleaning demo 6:30PM with Meeting started at 7PM

Location: Gym in Old Town Hall

Attendees: Angela McCoy, Jon Gale, Diane Brooker, Joy Jones, Kelly & Shauna

Review of standing items:

- Chainsaw has been purchased for the Cemetery Committee with a reminder to wear the safety equipment provided. Plans are in place to find a secure closet and locker at the Old Town Hall building.

Angela did a stone cleaning demo at the Cemetery using water and a chemical called D2 along with a very soft brush. Several bottles of the D2 were given to members to use on the cemeteries they have adopted.

Old Business:

- Girl Scouts have decided as a group to NOT clean the West Road Cemetery.
- Chase/ Newbegin sign is 90% complete.
- Autumn Green is waiting for a list to make up signs for illegible stones.
- *“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 in a prior meeting shared a reference 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.

New Business

- The group discussed changing the work sheet indicating when a cemetery was last maintained. Diane offered to create a spreadsheet and have Angela and the group review for the next meeting.
- **September 19, 2015 Saturday morning 10:00-Noon** Cleanup for the West Road Cemetery. Inform the group and invite other volunteers for the event. Angela to contact the Girl Scouts in case a few of the girls would like to help out. **Watch for a memo from Angela to confirm date and supplies required.**
- Mapping all the Waterboro Cemeteries. Software may exist that could provide locations, stone names and other information. Angela to inquire with the MOCA group.
- MOCA meeting Maine Old Cemetery Association website has information on activities.
 - Conservator workshop August 2016 (more information coming)
 - Cleaning and Leaning workshop schedule for August 29,2015
 - BIP project looking for volunteers. Creating maps for cemeteries

Next meeting September 14, 2015 7:00PM