

Cemetery Committee Minutes
June 12, 2023
7:00 PM

Attendees: Angela, Dororthy, Jeannie, Jim, MaryBeth, Patty

Review of Standing Items

- Budget/Inventory List- Jim suggested we buy some loppers; all agreed. MaryBeth suggested chain for hanging signs. The Sign fo Andrews Cemetery has been ordered. No one needs car magnets.
- Update conditions spreadsheet- updated a little at the meeting, but Angela is going to send the link to the google doc to everyone so they can update it on their own as they go. Discussed making another similar document for when we start cleaning the cemeteries, to keep track.

Old Business

- Discussed Deb Curry's list for MOCA record updates. Went over all areas of concern and Angela will get back to her with the answers.
- MaryBeth discussed her progress with the online GPS mapping and provided a handout for everyone.
- Dorothy discussed her cemetery presentation scheduled in October for the Historical Society. She will discuss the history of the committee, the importance of cemetery laws, MOCA, cemetery facts, oldest burial in Waterboro, interesting or funny stones, dowsing, how we need help, etc
- It was decided we should run an ad for the adopt a cemetery program in the Reporter.

New Business

- Jim suggested we do a cleanup in Johnson Cemetery. It is scheduled for July 9 at 9 AM. Angela will contact the land owner (Jet).
- Discussed the sign for Mercy Chase. MaryBeth will donate a sign post and bolts. Her and Angela will get together to install.
- Discussed moving the meeting to 6 instead of 7, everyone in agreement.
- Dorothy and Jeannie discussed the need to protect and preserve our cemetery records. Currently located in a binder with Jeannie. The Town hall volunteered a space in a humidity and temperature controlled environment, but we want the documents copied before we hand them over. Jeannie volunteered to bring them to Staples to be copied and scanned onto a thumb drive. The committee approved this expenditure.
- Jim shared his concern with broken stones and walls that need repair in the Town Hall cemetery. Everyone went there after the meeting to take a look. Angela is going to contact a stone mason about the wall and Joe Ferranino about stone repair.

Next meeting July 10, 2023 at 6 PM