

Francestown Cemetery Commission
June 14th 2012

E. MacStubbs, P. Freese, E. Wiederhold
Member of the public: T. Anderson, M. Sizemore

Meeting was called to order at 9:10AM
Minutes of 5/31/12, were approved as amended
Minutes of 6/6/12, were approved as amended
Treasurer's report.

The bills of G. Lohmiller for \$180.00, and Miller Plumbing for 128.45 were to be taken out of Cemetery Repairs-not Miscellaneous, and Equipment Repairs/supplies. We have no line item for Equipment Repairs/service.

A vote to place \$476.90 from the GCMT to the Perpetual care, to bring those accounts to date. All in favor.

A vote to take \$750. out of the GCMT to pay Robblee Tree Service for work done in #3. All in favor.

Freese reported on the Cemetery Trustees meeting. Among the items discussed were:

1. Minutes, and the storage of same. They should be available in 5 business days and marked as Draft, which stays until replaced by the approved minutes.
2. Non-public meetings and when it is appropriate to go into Non-public sessions.
3. Reclaiming lots: Freese asked about this, as we are currently attempting to find some way to resell these lots. Since there is only a name on many of the cards, and nothing in the town history about the owner, we can go directly to the newspaper ads. I asked about the format for the ads, and was directed to the NH Cemetery Association, which is found in the back of the handbook. MacStubbs will research this.
4. Private burial grounds should be noted on the tax map. They cannot be destroyed by the property owner.
5. 289:14a has new material in it, and it was suggested that we go thru that with both handbooks.
6. It was strongly urged that corner posts be put in place at the time of the purchase of the lot.

A vote to change the Rules and Regulations to say:

4X4X6 granite corner posts must be placed as soon as possible after the purchase of a lot. All in favor.

A discussion about the maple tree followed. It was noted that there is serious rot.

MacStubbs suggested that we get a second opinion, and she will find someone who can do same. We all agreed that it is better to have the tree removed sooner rather than later.

The Robinson lot with two Dwarf Alberta Spruce has a serious problem with ants. Marilyn Sizemore came in to ask if we will do something about this.

The Bonsai tree on Thomas lot is becoming a problem with the mowers. MacStubbs will contact her and ask if it could be moved closer to the headstone.

We moved the meeting to Cemetery #3 to view the Robinson site, and will attempt to learn if the tree brings the ants. A cautious approach to this problem was encouraged.

We also inspected the maple, and looked at another maple which is dying.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05

Respectfully submitted

Polly S. Freese