

TOWN OF BENNINGTON  
CEMETERY TRUSTEES  
Minutes of the Meeting- May 12, 2015

Present        Karen Bartlett  
                  Joshua Segal

Guest         Jill Young

The meeting was called to order at 5:43 p.m.

The minutes of the April 14, 2015 meeting were reviewed and accepted as written.

Jill noted that the old burial permits that were left in the Cemetery Trustee box were from the Catholic Cemetery.

Karen has spoken with the Trustees of the Trust Fund and directed them to pay the balance of the bill to Alpha Graphics directly. A correction will need to be made to the General Fund as all of the bill should have been paid from the Catholic Charities Fund. It was noted that all copies of the Sunnyside Cemetery book have been given out.

Joshua presented before and after photos of the repair work done in Sunnyside Cemetery. One of the stones repaired has \$27.01 balance in perpetual care funds interest and the Trustees agreed to use the funds toward the repair of that stone. Jill suggested that a copy of the photos be attached to the minutes of the meeting. The Trustees agree that each year as many stones are repaired as possible to complete Sunnyside Cemetery. It was noted that the older Historic section of Evergreen Cemetery should be the next on the repair list.

It was reported that Mr. Gagnon has not been paid for his work in the cemeteries. Karen noted that she was e-mailed at her job for an authorization to pay the bill. It was noted that Mr. Gagnon has requested full payment of his contracted work as he is in need of a new mower. Karen made a motion to pay the balance of Mr. Gagnon's annual bill. Joshua seconded the motion. All were in favor.

A bill was received from Gravestone Services of New England along with before and after pictures of the repaired gravestones. A request was filled out for \$1,680.00 to pay this bill in full. It was noted that two signatures shall be required to request funds per the Cemetery Trustees.

In other business, Karen nominated Jill Young as Chairman of the Cemetery Trustees pending receipt of proof of residency. Joshua seconded the motion and all were in favor.

It was noted that the State meeting for Cemetery Trustees will be held on June 4, 2015 in Concord.

Joshua inquired if the Trustees should research surrounding towns for the price of cemetery lots. Jill explained that the fees charged by the Town are kept low to keep the lots affordable for the residents.

Joshua has begun the research on Evergreen Cemetery so that he can create a guide book for Evergreen Cemetery.

No information is currently available about the lettering for the Sunnyside Cemetery gate.

There being no other business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Debra Belcher  
Cemetery Recording Secretary