

Town of Jaffrey Cemetery Committee

Thursday, October 20th, 2022, 4pm. Annual Meeting at the Town Hall

AGENDA:

Reports on cemetery conditions. Contractor issues. Projects & Issues for the 2022 season. Work Session progress. Future meeting times. Other issues & concerns.

Notes on the Annual Meeting held on Thursday, October 20th, 2022 at the Town Office .

The following members met at 4pm at the town office: Jon Fredricks (Town Manager), Charlie Turcotte, Kevin Chamberlain, Todd Crouteau, Peter Lambert, Jan Weekes, Cathy Pruolx, Mark Cournoyer along with volunteer Jeannelle Moore and Eric Healy.

Note: This was the seventh Meeting of the Committee for 2022. All town owned Cemeteries were visited by the Committee in 2022.

Gravestone Restoration of N.E. was asked to quote the repairs of the nineteen tablets type markers in need of repairs. (See notes of July 22, 2022) An estimate of \$5,150.00 was submitted. The Jaffrey Gravestone Restoration Fund, as December 31, 2021 has a balance of \$9,230.26 The estimate was submitted to the Town Manager and the Select Boards Representative to the Cemetery Committee for the cost to do the repairs. Both being in favor and have asked us to proceed with the repairs.

The committee was recently notified by Kai of G.R. of N.E. that he would not be able to do the work quoted this year, do to a personal injury. We are hoping that G.R. of N.E. would be able to do the repair work in the spring of 2023.

The committee and volunteers worked at the OBG to straighten the worse leaning tablet style markers, corner markers and foot stones. In all there were nineteen tablets, three corner posts, four foot stones and two monuments straightened.

In June the Cemetery Committee along with the Jaffrey Historical Society sponsored a Walking Tour of Jaffrey notables that are interred within St. Patrick's Cemetery. There were approximately 35 people in attendance. Cathy Proulx and Dick Boutwell and Marcie Manning did the research and narratives.

The DPW under the direction of Todd Crouteau cleared trees and brush from the Small Pox Cemetery and helped in the straightening of the tablets at the Old Burying Ground.

The DPW also created a loop style roadway in Cutter Extension to facilitate better vehicle access. Thanks to Mark Cournoyer for this suggestion.

Bruce and Pam Hill had a gravestone cleaning session.

Warrant Articles for the funding of the Cemetery Tree Fund and Gravestone Restoration Fund to remain the same as last year. (\$5,000.00 and \$1,000.00 respectively)

Charlie Turcotte will remain as Chair of the committee.

THANK YOU ALL, FOR YOUR HARD WORK!

The Annual Meeting was adjourned at 4:45pm.

FUTURE MEETINGS IN 2023: April 21 (Conant), May 18 (Cutter), June 15 (Phillips/Heil), July 20 (Village and Small Pox), August 17 (Old Burying Ground), September 21 (OBG) (Work session), October 19 (Annual Meeting at Town Office)

The Cemetery Committee will meet the 3rd Thursday of the month, while in session, rain day the following Friday.

Mark Cournoyer	Cournoyer Funeral Home	
Kevin Chamberlain	Selectmen Representative	
Todd Croteau	Director of Public Works	
Robert Stephenson	Historical Society Representative	Village Cemetery Overseer
Charles Turcotte	V.F.W. Representative	Old Burying Ground Overseer (Chair)
Richard Boutwell	Member at Large	Assist. Conant Overseer
Cathy Proulx	Member at Large	Conant Overseer
Peter Lambert	Member at Large	Phillips-Heil Overseer
Bruce Hill	Member at Large	Cutter Overseer
Janice Weekes	Member at Large	
Jeannelle Moore	Volunteer	
Eric Healy	Volunteer	