

Town of Jaffrey Cemetery Committee

Next meeting: Thursday, August 21st, 2025, 4 pm at the Old Burying Ground.

AGENDA:

Reports on cemetery conditions. Contractor issues. Projects & Issues for the 2025 season. Work Session progress. Future meeting times. Other issues & concerns.

Notes on the July 17th, 2025 meeting at the Village Cemetery.

The following people met at the Village Cemetery, Charles Turcotte, Peter Lambert, Cathy Proulx, Eric Hansen, Sam Geene, Jan Weekes, and volunteers Jeannelle Moore and Eric Healey.

Note: This was the 4nd meeting of the committee for 2025. All town owned cemeteries were visited by the committee in 2024.

The meeting opened with a review of last meeting's accomplishments and recommendations.

Bruce Hill was unable to attend but, reported on the progress of the Eagle Scout project for Cutter Cemetery. He did not meet with Jacob Levesque the Eagle Scout, and is waiting on a mock up of the kiosk stand for final approval. He also reported that he had walked Cutter Cemetery and found nothing new to report.

Rob Stephenson also could not attend, but, reported on his research on another type of informational QR placard that he has gotten pricing for. He has pursued making an example of possible information on the placard, once you access the QR code. His suggestion was to use the self guided cemetery tour programs that was a project of the Jaffrey Historical Society, as a base to use for information. He will get a price for the twelve he is proposing for our next meeting in August. Rob requested that he be replaced as overseer of Village Cemetery. The committee thanks Sam Greene who has volunteered to accept that position on the committee.

The walkway to the flag pole at Conant was talked about. This area of Conant Cemetery has been an area not covered by the grounds maintenance contractor and has become very over grown and weed infested. The stone dust walkway is unrecognizable due to weeds. Cathy Proulx, the overseer of Conant, has gotten one quote for a new paver walkway and Todd will get two more to satisfy the minimum three bid requirement. Funding for the project will come from the perpetual care trust funds.

Charlie reported that Perterborough Marble and Granite has been notified to repair the three markers at Conant, but the work has not been done as of this meeting.

The committee inspected Village Cemetery and found that there are several badly leaning markers that could be a work project to straighten. The last internment at Village Cemetery was in 1935.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm.

THANK YOU ALL, FOR YOUR HARD WORK!

FUTURE MEETINGS IN 2025: April 17(Cutter), May 15 (Conant), June 19 (Old Burying Ground, July 17 (Village and Small Pox), August 21 (OBG work session), September 18 (Phillips-Hiel), October 16 (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
Charlie Turcotte	Selectmen Representative
Todd Croteau	Director of Public Works
Robert Stephenson	Historical Society Representative
Charles Turcotte	V.F.W. Representative/ Old Burying Ground Overseer (Chair)
Eric Hansen	American Legion Representative
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
Sam Greene	Member at Large/Village Overseer
Jeannelle Moore	Volunteer
Eric Healy	Volunteer