

Town of Jaffrey Cemetery Committee

Next meeting: Thursday, June 15th, 2023, 4pm. Phillips/Heil Cemetery

AGENDA:

Reports on cemetery conditions. Contractor issues. Projects & Issues for the 2023 season. Work Session progress. Future meeting times. Other issues & concerns.

Notes on the May 18th, 2023 Meeting at Cutter Cemetery.

The following members met at 4pm at Cutter Cemetery: Charlie Turcotte, Rob Stephenson, Peter Lambert, Cathy Proulx, Jan Weekes along with volunteers Jeannelle Moore and Eric Healy.

Note: This was the 2nd Meeting of the Committee for 2023. All town owned Cemeteries were visited by the Committee in 2022.

Gravestone Restoration of N.E. has repaired eleven of the fifteen tablet type markers in the Village Cemetery. Kai of G.R. of NE reported that three were not repairable due to missing pieces and that one could only be stood up and reset in the ground. (See notes of July 22, 2022) An estimate of \$5,150.00 was submitted. The Jaffrey Gravestone Restoration Fund, as December 31, 2022 has a balance of \$9,959.92.

On June 17th from 12:30 to 1:30 the Cemetery Committee along with the Jaffrey Historical Society will sponsor a Walking Tour in the Old Burying Ground. "Special Veterans Addition Tour" will feature Veterans who are interred within the Old Burying Ground as part of the larger "Salute to Veterans Celebration" which is being held on the Meeting House Grounds from 2:00 to 4:30.

The DPW under the direction of Todd Crouteau will need to clear a tree that is across the path of the trail to the Small Pox Cemetery. (As reported last month). Charlie has contacted Todd to remind him of the issue. He was also reminded that the Village Cemetery's winter tree debris has not been cleaned up.

At Cutter Extension there is also a large Ash Tree along the east wall that needs to be removed. Rob pointed out the need to replace a few of the Elm Trees that have been planted over the past several years and have died.

Peter mentioned that a work session at Phillips/Heil would be appropriate as there are some tablets in need of straightening.

The "Cemetery Flag Placement" took place on May 20 starting at 9:00am. Members of the Cemetery Committee, VFW, American Legion and volunteers placed over 860 flags into the Veteran Medallions in all of Jaffrey's Cemeteries.

The committee toured Cutter and Cutter Extension Cemetery. On the walk thru Cutter we discovered one foot marker which was dislodged from its base.

THANK YOU ALL, FOR YOUR HARD WORK!

The Meeting was adjourned at 4:40pm.

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	
Charlie Turcotte	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	