

Minutes of Springfield Cemetery Trustees Meeting  
April 10, 2013  
5:00, Town Office Building

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Present: Dale Milne, Charles Moore, Tim Hayes, Trustees  
Leigh Callaway, Selectman  
Frank Anderson, Caretaker

The Trustees welcomed Tim Hayes to the Cemetery board. Leigh proposed and distributed an agenda, which began with election of new officers. Tim indicated that as a new member, he would defer to Chuck and Dale. It was decided that Dale would chair, with Chuck as vice chair.

The next item discussed, the year's budget, began with the costs of repairing the Philbrick plot's monument and the repair of the iron gate. Chuck suggested that chains surrounding the area might work well. Chuck agreed to speak to Henry Bresnahan about proceeding with the metal work. The group agreed to approve funding for 50% of the project so that Henry can begin his work. Tim suggested that a target deadline for the completion of this work be May 22, allowing time for installation before Memorial Day. Leigh and Frank suggested that Linda Welch be invited to the May meeting to fill us in on her work on this matter and the use of perpetual care funds.

Frost damage leading to sunken graves was discussed next. Frank said that he has the gravel needed to smooth out these plots. He pointed out that families own the plots, so that it's their responsibility to place cornerstones. Leigh asked about the road, which Frank said wintered quite well.

Frank offered to contact Fox Tree for the removal of some of the tangled softwoods at Pleasant View Cemetery. Leigh pointed out that Tamara will need a hard copy of the slip with the quote, and that should be initialed by Dale. Tim urged the group to get as much work done as possible. A short financial discussion followed.

Frank emphasized that the Trustees must learn to sell grave plots. The Trustees will meet with Frank to learn this procedure before the business portion of the May meeting. Leigh offered to take care of the light upkeep of the Messer Hill Cemetery.

Chuck suggested that meetings be held on a regular basis. The second Tuesday of each month was chosen, beginning with May 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:00. Dale will invite Linda. Leigh will collect and distribute the group's e-mails for future communications.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:00.

Submitted by: Dale T. Milne

Addendum: Linda will be out of town on the night of our May meeting, but agreed to sit down with us at the June 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. She will be first on the agenda.