Minutes of Cemetery Trustees' Meeting
October 14, 2014

October, 2014 Meeting of Springfield, NH Cemetery Trustees
10/14/14, 4:55 @ Town Office Building
Present: Dale Milne, Charles Moore, Tim Hayes, Trustees
Leigh Callaway, Selectboard Representative
Frank Anderson, Cemetery Custodian

The first order of business was to approve the September, 2014 meeting minutes.

Second on the agenda was the town website. Leigh commented that recent pictures and meeting minutes have not been posted and suggested that Dale contact Tamara Butcher to make a direct request that she update our section of the site.

Next, Frank reported on the condition of the graveyards. He said that the outlying yards, except for Fowlertown, are in good shape. He'd like to blow leaves from the Messer Hill and Davis Hill burial grounds before the snow arrives. Three to four trees should be removed this year (see below).

The 2014 budget was reviewed. Tim wondered what the expense of $90.67 for equipment repair reflects. The chainsaw that was tuned and sharpened had to be sent out, since the tools for tuning are not sold to the general public. Frank also mentioned blades. Two areas still show a balance: new equipment & stone repair. Frank suggested that the balance for stone repair be spent this year. He offered to direct Jack Grantham of Stone Vault to stones that need work. Dale will ask Stone Vault if cleaning is included in their estimate of $150/stone for repair. The commissioners voted to allot $1,000 of the $1,325 of the balance remaining in that line. The trees that need removal number 3-4. With $700 in the 2014 budget for landscaping, those may be removed this year. Tim will cover that project.

Looking toward 2015, Tim suggested that we find quotes for safety equipment that Frank and Rick can use when they use weed whippers and chain saws. So we can include safety equipment in the budget, Dale will find prices for helmets, chaps and goggles before the next meeting. We will know by next month how much tree removal needs to be included. The general consensus was that by next month, we should be able to work up a 2015 budget to propose to the townspeople.

In other business, Frank asked if the cemetery gates can be left open until after Veterans' Day. The group agreed.

Since the second Tuesday of November is the 11th, the November meeting will be held Monday, 11/10, when the budget for 2015 will be discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 5:50.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale T. Milne

CC Meeting November 10, 2014 - 5:00 @ Town Office Building

AGENDA:

1. Review / approve October 14th & 19th meetings' minutes
2. Frank: Status of repair work scheduled with Stone Vault (n/a)
3. Tim: Status of tree removal project (estimate for 2015)
4. Website
5. Leigh & group: Propose 2015 budget items
    a. Dale & Chuck – Safety items for Frank ($250)
    b. Tim – tools
    c. Frank – other
6. Other business

NEXT Meeting: April 7, 2015 @ 5:00