

Meeting of the Kensington Cemetery Trustees

Thursday September 28, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Kensington Town Hall

The Kensington Cemetery Trustees met at the Kensington Town Hall at 6:30 PM on Thursday, September 28,, 2023. Any member of the public wishing to participate in this meeting may do so.

Agenda

Present:

Katelynn Dow
Nancy Roffman

Absent:

Jackie Benson

Called to order at: 6:36 PM

Old business:

1. Approve past minutes. Katelynn moved to approve the minutes from the July meeting. Nancy seconded. All in favor.
2. Cemetery maintenance
 - a. Stones
 - i. Jackie got the fire department to agree to help reset the fire department vet stone that fell over. Jackie is supposed to meet them with John Lord from New Hampshire old graveyards on Saturday morning at 10:00.
 - b. Mowing
 - i. Seems like it is being maintained better than the previous company.
 - c. Tree service
 - i. Royal Green Tree Service came and did two days worth of work on both cemeteries.
3. Cemetery records
 - a. New burials update
 - i. Stephen Jenness stone variance. Asking for a variance to approve a larger stone. Nancy moved to approve the request. Katelynn seconded. All in favor.
 - ii. There are a bunch more new burials or burials of progress but none of them are urgent and I can go over them with you guys at the next meeting
 - a. Nancy had a request for Waleigh burial. William and Ginny who currently have a plot. Wanted to be buried together in the same urn. Nancy will give the daughter, Ginger Tessier, the proper paperwork. Nancy did suggest that the daughter contact the funeral home.

- b. Cemetery mapping project
 - i. Nothing new to report. Still need to work on mapping certain stones perhaps in the spring.
- 4. Cemetery bylaws
 - a. Nothing new to report
- 5. Cemetery communications
 - a. Town newsletter
 - i. Nothing new to report
 - b. Town website
 - i. Nothing new to report

New business:

- 6. 2024 Cemetery Budget
 - a. Keep the bid line budget the same for the mowing for next fiscal year \$16,600 unless the mowing contract shows a higher number when we get info from Kathy.
 - b. The trustees will continue to propose cycling through larger occasional expenses such as fence painting, road service, tree service, stone repair, with one targeted each year. This will keep the cemetery budget more or less level from year to year and be simpler than addressing these issues piecemeal or encumbering funds. Next year to feature more tree work as needed.
- 7. Any other business
- 8. Determine next meeting date
 - a. November 16, 2023 at 6:30 PM at the Town Hall
- 9. Adjournment: 7:02 PM