

Meeting of the Kensington Cemetery Trustees

Thursday August 18, 2022 at 6:30 PM

Kensington Town Hall

The Kensington Cemetery Trustees met at the Kensington Town Hall at 6:30 PM on Thursday, August 18, 2022.

Attending:

Katelynn Dow, Jackie Benson, Nancy Roffman

Absent:

None

Call to order at 6:29PM.

Business:

1. Approve Past Minutes
 - a. The trustees approved the draft minutes from the meetings on 7/7 and 8/9.
2. Cemetery maintenance
 - a. Stone repair
 - i. Kai from Gravestone Services has been out to fix approximately 20 stones. Due to sickness and injury he has not finished his work, but will be back in the fall to work on another 40 or so stones.
 - ii. John from the NH Graveyard Association would like to come to do a stone repair session in the fall. He will be in touch as we get further into the season.
 - b. Fence
 - i. Painted and completed by CertaPro.
 - c. Mowing
 - i. The trustees discussed potentially asking for two fall clean ups (before Veteran's Day and after) as they are likely to have leftover funds in the mowing budget due to the drought.
3. Cemetery records
 - a. New burials update
 - i. New forms are now active and have been working well
 - b. Cemetery mapping project
 - i. Have not heard from Andy regarding his study, but discussed how we could do drone photos come late fall for a better overhead map
4. Cemetery bylaws

- a. The trustees discussed the draft bylaws and made one final change to the draft. The trustees delegated that Jackie send the draft to the selectboard and ask for their feedback.
- 5. Cemetery communications
 - a. Town newsletter
 - i. No letter was written for the Sept-Oct issue. The trustees will aim to put an update in the Nov-Jan issue.
 - b. Town website
 - i. No update to town website content at this time.

New business:

- 6. 2023 Cemetery Budget
 - a. Keep bid line budget the same for the mowing for next fiscal year \$16,060
 - b. Moving forward, the trustees will propose cycling through 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.
 - c. The trustees will ask to budget for cleaning supplies for a community stone cleaning and maintenance day in late April or early May, estimate \$300.
- 7. Any other business
- 8. Determine next meeting date
 - a. September 29th, 2022 at 6:30 PM
- 9. Adjournment at 7:49PM