



# Salisbury Cemetery Trustees

Meeting Minutes – June 7, 2018

## **Present:**

Trustees – Rick Chandler, Chair; Anne Bickford, Secretary; Ole Odegaard  
Sexton – Melvin Bowne

## **Absent:** Selectman Pete Ballou

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 PM. Ole moved to approve the minutes from May 3<sup>rd</sup> as amended. Anne seconded. All approved.

## **Old Business:**

- Re: Perpetual Care Lots: Nobody has spoken to Steve Wheeler since last meeting about whether he contacted in NH Attorney General office about perpetual care numbers. Ole moved to table, second by Rick. All approved.
- Re: Fence at Baptist Cemetery: The email from Margaret was reviewed. It states the Salisbury Historical Society (SHS) owns the Baptist Cemetery. Cemetery Trustees will plan to go to a proposed meeting of selectmen and SHS. Rick motioned to table. Second by Anne. Ole Recused himself from discussion regarding SHS as he is also a trustee of SHS.
- Melvin asked if Brenda Greene was paid for return of the lots. Rick said yes.
- Melvin said he doesn't think the spring clean-up was done adequately. He had to do raking and pick-up of debris. He also said there were plants and a fence at R. Heath's plot. He will take them down. They are not allowed.
- Re: Large Tree at Virgin lot. Discussion about notifying an heir. Anne will check with Kathie about locating heir. Anne will check if Concord is interested in it for Christmas. Last time she checked they already had one for 2017. Rick will check with Boscawen. Ole moved to cut the tree if no town is interested in it. Paid for from our budget or possibly as a warrant article. Seconded by Anne. All approved.

## **New Business:**

- Sexton Duties: Melvin asked who he works for. Rick said he works for the Cemetery Trustees. Melvin would like to wait until winter to work on the town maps. He reminded us that he, or a trustee must be present if any work is being done on stones. We discussed the necessity of describing in detail on time sheet what he is doing.
- Sealing Maplewood Wall: Rick will look for a masonry sealant with color. Ole moves that he and Rick study to use and go get it so Melvin can start the wall. Second by Anne. All approved.
- Ole asked about what appears to be fresh dirt in Oak Hill Cemetery. Is it unmarked grave? Melvin said when they put the Robbins headstone in they took the dirt and moved it to that spot.

- Ole asked about options for Oak Hill fence. Rick moved to use the 3 gallons of Rust oleum paint that can be applied now. Then we can plan on repairs or new fence in the future. Second by Anne. All agreed.
- Ole expressed concern about several broken toppled headstones. Melvin said all old cemeteries have them. He said in the past we've had volunteer days where some stones were fixed under supervision. Melvin would like to meet with Charlie Beede of Beede Monument in Meredith regarding the proper repair of broken headstones. Rick said there are laws about proper cleaning of headstones. We discussed a possible volunteer day in the Fall.

Ole moved to adjourned, Anne seconded. All agreed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anne Bickford  
Cemetery Trustee / Secretary

approved 8-2-18