

TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING

MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING

Wednesday, July 3, 2019

- A. CALL TO ORDER** - The meeting was called to order by Tim Lamson, Chairman, at 2:05 pm. The following members were present: Elliott Morse, and Emily Goyette, Clerk. Florence Morse was also in attendance.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA - None

APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – Elliott Morse moved to approve the minutes of the April 29, 2019 meeting, Emily Goyette seconded. The minutes were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

B. DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

1. Equipment

The Husqvarna weed whacker is being fixed per Tim

2. Labor

Doty needs trimming

Elliott needs Town to level the dirt pile at Doty

Pressure-treated posts installed at Cate

Cedar posts at Quaker are shaky

At Cutler and Village cemeteries, many stones have broken/fallen over the winter

Elliott reported that he is very pleased with the St. Johnsbury Kristen

Weaver stone foundation pourers

3. Woodchucks

Bombs will be used

4. Brush removal and burn pile

Burning of brush at Doty can't be accomplished until the dirt pile has been leveled by the Town

5. Painting of posts

The pressure-treated posts at Gould and William Cutler cemeteries have been stained

No white painting has been done yet, specifically the gate at the Village cemetery

6. Report on the refurbished Gould and Willard Cutler sites

The Willard Cutler & Gould cemeteries need signs

Emily will write a story for the Signpost

7. Report on the Vermont Cemetery Association meeting in May

Elliott and Emily attended and reported on the discussion of State statutes relating to cemeteries. Of particular note, the Town of East Montpelier should be named as an additional insured by the contractor used for burials and should have evidence of the contractor's insurance. There was an additional presentation by Ms. Deb Belcher of the Shelburne Cemetery Commission about her work with the website findagrave.com. She gave information on how to upload information to that website. Emily volunteered to begin the process of photographing gravestones, tying them to information in our database and beginning the process of adding East Montpelier info to the website.

8. Burials coming up

Barnes, Clark, Keough

9. Cemetery Guest Log

In progress

C. OTHER BUSINESS

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 4th at 2:30 pm.

D. ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 3:10 pm.