

TOWN OF BENNINGTON  
CEMETERY TRUSTEES  
Minutes of the Meeting- April 13, 2010

Present        Jill Young  
                  Thomas Belcher  
                  Shelagh Clough

Jill called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The minutes of the March 16, 2010 meeting were reviewed and accepted as written.

The Trustees were scheduled to meet with Valerie Germain from the Trustees of the Trust Funds but Mrs. Germain was not present at the meeting. The Trustees will try to get one of the Trustees of the Trust Funds to come to the next meeting to go over the procedure of using trust fund money.

A call was received from Mrs. Rich inquiring about the Catholic Cemetery. Jill explained that the Town is not in charge of the Catholic Cemetery and referred her to Arnold Cernota for more information.

It was noted that the Evergreen Cemetery did not winter well. There are no broken stones but there will be much work for the prisoners to do in the spring.

The Sunnyside Cemetery has been opened but not by the Trustees. The double gate has been unlocked. The Trustees would like to keep this gate locked to deter vehicles in the cemetery. Thom will purchase a length of chain and a padlock for the gate. A key will be given to the Road Agent as well as one to be kept in the file for the Trustees. Thom will also secure one more quote for loam so that it may be ordered next month.

The Trustees discussed if allowing a hand dug site for a cremation should be done on a case by case situation. It was decided that it should be allowed across the board for cremations only.

A letter was received from the Pepsi Bottling Company stating that the Trustees were not chosen for the upcoming work day. Information was included for possible grants offered by Pepsi that may be helpful. Jill will pursue this.

A copy of the Trustee's budget to date was reviewed. Shelagh will ask Kristie LaPlante for a break down of the monthly expenses. The Trustees would also like to have a copy of all receipts for their file.

The Trustees are planning to do a walk of the vault in the next few weeks.

The next Trustee meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2010. The prisoners are scheduled to be in town to work at the cemeteries from May 17, 2010 to May 23, 2010. Meals for the prisoners will be planned at the next meeting.

There being no other business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Debra Belcher  
Cemetery Trustee Recording Secretary