

# Cemetery Trustee Meeting Minutes

Aug 8, 2024

- Meeting opens with Joyce Keegal, Jim Hajjar, Justin Kane, Albert “Skip” Belanger, Jillian Benedix present.
- **Light bill** signed.
- **Motion** by Jillian, 2nd by Justin to accept the July 25<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes as written. Jim will update the website.
- **Cemetery Activity**
  - **Web page - Jillian** plans to post updated rules and regulations within the next week.
- **Other business**
  - **Mapping** update - general discussion around the process for verifying/updating Town GIS system for all known cemeteries. **Note** that a total list of known town cemeteries appears in Brentwood Through the Years; 1742-2017, current to that publication date.
    - Many cemeteries in the GIS are not logged in the same way. As a first step in regularizing the data, Jim undertakes to generate a list of non-standard entries.
  - **Tonry cremation lots** - General discussion and review around the pricing for future cremation lots in Tonry Cemetery. Following discussion, **motion** by Jillian, 2nd Justin, to set pricing and restrictions for 4’x4’ cremation lots as follows, to become policy September 1, 2024:
    - 4’x4’ lots for cremation = \$200, exclusive of filing fees.
    - 2 urn maximum per plot
    - Urns must be robust and non-biodegradable
    - Lots may be marked with a flat marker only

- Motion Justin, 2nd Jillian to incorporate changes into the official rules and regulations.
- Motion Jillian, 2nd Justin that Jim update the online rules and regs to reflect changes.
- **Future Planning, calendar**
  - **Rules & Regs** changes (rubbings) to be presented to the BOS on Aug 20.
  - **Cemetery Committee** alternates to be approved by Select Board on Aug 20 as well.
  - **Poor Farm** - Reinterment ceremony pushed out to October, date tbd. UNH is still working on the burial permits. General discussion around reinterment schedule and future plans.
  - **NH Cemetery Association** - Joyce and Jim will attend upcoming mtg. on Oct. 8th
- **Requirements for Future New Town Cemetery Presentation**
  - **Review** and discussion of Jim's planning presentation. Trustees will plan to visit the BOS, Conservation, and Planning boards to present it, generate feedback, and answer questions.

Next Meeting Thursday September 5, 2024