

Town of Gilford
Cemetery Trustees
November 18, 2009
Town Hall
Conference Room B

Members Present: Susan Leach Chairperson
Judy Cott Vice Chairperson
Dee Chitty Secretary

Meeting was called to order 9:00 a.m.

Approval of Trustee Minutes Chitty/Cott

New Business: A. Susan talked about the upcoming work project at Weeks. Dee said the Public Works Dept. was preparing the opening & everything should be ready by this afternoon.

B. Susan passed out a copy of information she researched at the Laconia Public Library. It was a page written about some of the Gilford Cemeteries. It mentions James yard, Blaisdell place, Weeks yard, Hoitt yard, Pine Grove, Buzzell Farm, Grant yard, Mooney schoolhouse, Lamprey graveyard, Coleman Yard, Carr Cemetery, George Bean, McCoy Cemetery. The group discussed some of the differences..such as the spelling of Hoyt. Also it was noted that the article mentions a Sibley Stone dated 1794 at Weeks Cemetery.

C. Judy reported that the James Cemetery needs work. Many of the stones need to be found there. They are covered with dirt. We all agreed to put this project on the Spring agenda, Judy will notify the property owners and explain we would like to find those stones.

D. Judy had been to Robinson/Dooley Cemetery. She said this cemetery is very nicely kept.

E. Dee had talked with Ray from Sharon's Hand Forged Designs. (312 Cherry Valley Road 293-2905) Ray had visited Ames Cemetery and Liberty Hill. He is volunteering his time and skill to help us repair some of the hand forged gates & latches. He took pictures of both. He said both need to have pillars replaced in order to fix them correctly. He is very eager to help. Dee told him she would report his findings to the other Trustees at

the next meeting. Judy mentioned her husband has a generator if Ray needs to use that.

F. Judy spoke of working on obtaining grants thru the Thompson Ames Society. There are a couple she is currently looking into.

Old Business: A. February Library Display - We discussed different idea's to implement in the displays. We will try and find things such as:

1. Old Hats
2. Cane
3. Memorial soldier flag
4. Revolutionary flag
5. cape & top hat
6. boots
7. Arthur Weeks funeral pic (published in the paper)
8. black powder rifle

The next meeting has been scheduled for Dec. 16th, 2009 9:00 A.M.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:59

A True Record Attest:

Dee Chitty
Secretary