

TROY CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING

May 7, 2024

Members present are: Matthew Whooley, Kristian Lepisto and Diane Lepisto

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm in the Gay-Kimball Library in Troy.

Matthew was telling us that he found records of another old cemetery on Prospect Street in Troy. It was originally a part of Fitzwilliam. He and George (Skip) Mason tried to locate the property but were not successful. He is on property that was called the Gage Farm but do not know the community that lived there.

The fencing that the Historical Society has in their building has to be returned to the Cemetery Department. According to our By-Laws and those of the State of New Hampshire the fencing must not be used for anything other than the cemetery plot that it should have remained on. We will have to go get it at some point this summer.

We have advertised and hired a second person to help George (Skip) Mason with the upkeep of the Cemeteries. His name is Joseph Morrissey. He will start this week. We should make a list of the employees duties for the future.

Matthew asked if permits were necessary for cremations. The state of NH does not require them. Matthew commented that both husband and wife can go in the same urn. That is correct.

Diane asked if the water was turned on in the Mountain View cemetery. Kristian answered that it was on.

Matthew said that the gazebo in Mountain View needs some attention. We will look for someone to repair it for us. Also he commented that trees in the area of the Village Cemetery need to be cut so they do not cause damage in the future.

Allan Bailey arrived at 7:15 pm. He explained that we cannot do a new investment account to be used with Perpetual Care interest. It has to be perpetual care only. The only way that we can move any monies is using "cy-pres". Allan said that Ed Oakes has all the paperwork necessary for this. Matthew made a motion to discuss this possibility and it was seconded by Diane. Allan asked if our Maintenance account was an expendable trust fund. Diane answered that yes it is. If we do try the "cy-pres" we will need monies for legal fees. We will need to approach the Select Board about this. Motion was made to move ahead with this. All in attendance voted in the affirmative. Allan will contact the Selectmen to set up a meeting. Allan Bailey left at 7:30 pm. All voted to close the meeting at 7:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Diane Lepisto