

HANCOCK CEMETERY TRUSTEES
Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2016,

Attendees: Sandy Weston, Kurt Grasset, Kalbie Grasset, John Hayes.

Call to Order: 2:35 PM – Chair Hayes called the meeting to order.

Minutes Accepted: Upon motion by Hayes, the minutes of the previous meeting of 1/17/16 were approved and accepted.

Cemetery Tour: Plans for the May 14, 2016 cemetery tour featuring Revolutionary War soldiers were discussed. Kurt will have Pine Ridge cleaned up from the winter and ready for viewing. The veterans have been notified and new flags and geraniums will be in place.

Current Conditions of Cemeteries: After such a mild winter, the cemeteries are in very good shape. Only one stone in Pine Ridge needs to be repaired.

Row Markers: Kurt will investigate what type of row markers would work best to replace the missing row markers in Pine Ridge. Cost will also be a factor.

Norway Plain Inscriptions: The recording of the inscriptions on the gravestones in Norway Plain Cemetery will commence after the Tour takes place. It was suggested that we ask for volunteers at the Tour to help us in the process. We will do so.

Kepner Stone: Kurt will contact Linda Coughlin about the date of death and then contact John Kaufhold of Peterborough Marble and Granite Works to complete the engraving ASAP.

New Cremation Cemetery: After a discussion on where we now stand with the new cremation cemetery on the land donated by the Amidon's, it was decided that in order to start the project, we would begin by roughing in the road and loaming and seeding the remaining grounds. Establishing these parameters now will allow us to mow and maintain the land until we are ready to move forward with more specific plans for actual burials. This approach will also be much less expensive than a full development of the site. Kurt will ascertain costs for this approach.

Kurt Moving On: To our dismay, Kurt announced that he will be leaving his position of Director of Public Works and as Sexton of the Cemeteries as of July 1, 2016. Kurt has been an exceptional resource and has given us great guidance for so many years. He will be sorely missed. We wish him all the best in his new endeavors.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 3 PM.

Respectfully submitted by
John Hayes, Chair