

Waterbury Cemetery Commission

December 5, 2017 meeting – 4 PM

Steele Community Room

Present: John Woodruff, Betty Jones, Jack Carter

Minutes of November 7th meeting were approved with addition of Barbara Walton's comment about maintenance of Loomis Hill Cemetery to be done this year.

Old Center Cemetery. John has looked at stone over the bank but he could not get to it at the time. There is no lot map of the cemetery.

Maple Street Cemetery. David Graves has repaired the flagpole that was damaged in the wind storm. John has cleaned up debris, deteriorated artificial flowers and decorations, etc. He used the tractor that is stored in the shed. The brush pile will be burned during the winter months. John has placed corner posts on lots that needed them. He has made a dent in the surplus that was in the shed. Set of 4 corner posts cost \$110. We sell them for \$150. There is still a surplus and inventory has been taken of letters.

Hope Cemetery. Georgia Ayers was notified it would be alright to have a family gathering at the Ayers lot. The fence has come apart and John has spoken with Round Hill Fence Co. and they will look into repair.

2017 has been a good year for burials and lot sales with 31 burials compared to 21 in 2016. 10 lot sales compared to 6 in 2016.

Question came up whether Ed would run for another term as his term expires in 2018 ?

We discussed some projects for 2018 that we would like to accomplish:

- Roads in Maple Street Cemetery
- Involve the municipality departments more in doing work for us. Perhaps a day a week during good weather. The cemeteries are Town responsibility as is the recreation fields.
- Concentrate on doing more work by Town at Hope. Clean and clear the perimeter of brush. Long term brush clearing.
- Restoration and cleaning of stones in all cemeteries.
- Washing stones in Old Center Cemetery
- Signage for Old Center Cemetery
- Repurpose the upper fountain in Hope Cemetery.
- Visit Demeritt Cemetery on Blush Hill.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM - Next meeting January 2, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Carter