

Meeting of the Deerfield, New Hampshire Cemetery Trustees

DRAFT MINUTES

May 18, 2022

Present: Rick Druckenmiller, Dana van der Bijl, Ron Harvey, Maureen Mann

Absent: Phil Bilodeau, Sam White

Citizens Present: Leslie Randlett

Meeting called to order at **9:30 am**.

Citizen Comments – Leslie Randlett came to discuss the idea of starting a “Friends of the Cemeteries” type **volunteer group**. Leslie has a cemetery in her yard and is interested in using her organizational skills to help get the group started. The trustees are very supportive of the idea. All agree that the 29 municipal cemeteries should take priority, so Dana will circulate a list and the group and Leslie will divide it up into manageable field trips during which the cemeteries will be evaluated using a standardized form (to be determined). Leslie will research forms and get back to us.

The board **voted unanimously to accept the minutes of the April meeting**.

Rick has verified that the **\$35,000 from our 2022 warrant article** is available to us.

Rick spoke with **Jared Messina** and authorized him to take down the **trees in Morrison Cemetery** as soon as possible. The Select Board approved this contract at a recent meeting.

The board discussed the poor condition of the **fence at Old Center Cemetery** and will add it to their tour of the 29 cemeteries. Once it has been inspected, we will decide how to proceed regarding repair or replacement.

Meeting adjourned at 10:39 am.

The next meeting will be held at the **GB White Building** on **Wednesday, June 15th at 9:30 am**.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana van der Bijl, Secretary