

St. Johnsbury Cemetery Commission
July 11, 2024

The St. Johnsbury Cemetery Commission met at the St Johnsbury Welcome Center. In attendance were Bryan LeBlanc, Tim Clouatre, Lauren Järvi and Karen Budde.

Meeting called to order by Lauren at 8:14 AM.

Bryan moved to approve the minutes from our June 13 meeting. Seconded by Tim. Approved by B & T.

Karen will see about getting a new padlock and keys for the SJCC.

We discussed Karen passing on her annual stipend this year in the interest of managing her income for purposes of her health insurance premiums. Lauren will check with Rachel to confirm there are no issues with this. Karen will continue to get her hourly rate of \$20.

At the SJCC there's been no progress on either removing the hydrangeas that have been marked, or the straightening of the Truman Brewer monument that was apparently knocked off its base by a mower last month. Lauren will follow up on the latter with Larry re the latter, and invite him to our August meeting at the Grove. Some stones there have been damaged as well perhaps due to mowing too close.

Tim made a motion to donate a 27" X 27" eight grave lot to Ken and Bev Robinson at their request in recognition of their gift of land to the town to extend the Ayer-Hawkins Cemetery several years ago. Motion seconded by Bryan, approved by T & B. Karen has been in touch with them about this and will complete the process. They plan to install corner markers.

The fencing at the Grove will cost an additional \$390 over the original quote. The walk-in gate had not been included. We had discussed having the western entrance gate moved back a bit to accommodate a car parked there when the fence is locked. Mike at MRM suggested that can't happen but recommended that we have Calkins add some staymat to the left side of the gate that could then provide a parking space. We'll check on that once the fencing project is complete.

Bryan made a motion to authorize Lauren to request a bid from MRM Fencing re the plank fencing at the A-H Cemetery. It was damaged last summer and needs repair and maintenance. Seconded by Tim, approved by B & T.

Bryan moved to adjourn at 9:35. Seconded by Tim. Approved by B & T

Our next meeting will be on August 8, at the Grove Cemetery