

## Francestown Cemetery Commission

### Minutes of Trustees Meeting March 18, 2022 (DRAFT)

Present: Polly Frees, Ethel McStubb, Bridget Howell

Motion to approve minutes of meeting of January 27, 2022, as amended, passed.

No new reports as to budget/treasurer. Polly will ask Jamie about town contract with Bryant as to cemetery landscaping services.

Polly received letter from Kathleen Gill, whose father, Charles, purchased 8 sites in 1980. Charles and wife are buried there. She just wanted confirmation. Charles Gill is listed in cards but no date of death in spreadsheet. Polly will meet with our sexton, Dan, to probe.

Agreed gates will open in April, depending on weather. Effie notes we need to check roads before opening due to mud.

Polly talked to Gary of road crew about tarring entrance to cemetery and fixing covered over hole. They will meet with Polly and bore new holes.

NH Cemetery Association annual meeting is April 7. Green burial is topic. Bridget to email we are coming on April 7 and we will pay at door and get reimbursed from continuing education funds.

Green burials— Bridget passed out very preliminary draft of rules , based on Greenmount in Vermont as template. She suggests we look at Lebanon rule before proceeding. No decision as to burial in Cemetery No 3 will be made right now and we want input from NH Cemetery Association meeting.

As to future action to do green burials across road (i.e. natural burials in Annex (property on West side of Turnpike) Polly notes we need to make sure no wetlands are problem. Other trustees agree. Bridget notes she believes across road project needs select board approval on a final proposal.

- Next meeting of Trustees will be April 21, 2022 (Thursday) at 10 am

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

