

**Cemetery Commission of Francestown
Minutes of December 2, 2021 Meeting (FINAL)**

Present: Polly Freese, Ethel MacStubbs and Bridget Howell

Meeting commenced 10:15

Minutes of November 4, 2021 meeting approved with spelling corrections.

- 1) Discussion of Debbie Adams offer to donate memorial/plaque honoring Lois MacAdams for efforts for stone wall for Cem. No. 3. Ethel will talk to Deb about it what she envisions.
- 2) Bridget and Ethel could not attend green burial presentation put on by New England Cemetery Association in December.
- 3) Green burial ("GB") research and preliminary decision should be goal this winter. Polly notes we have sand in North Section of Cem. #3 so not clear if that is usable for GB. Thoughts are middle section might be ok. Another idea: ask Dan K. , our sexton, about a protocol of leaving a pile of topsoil somewhere in cemetery for fill for GB graves.
- 4) Gilman family sent email asking who built gates for No. 3 and if we need any volunteers. Larry Kulgren did one, a Walpole Co did one. Effie will email them and ask if they want to come to one of our meetings.
- 5) Polly reports base is in Munson marker and brass markers back at Cem. 1.
- 6) Polly volunteered to write annual report.
- 7) We are within budget for 2021 expenditures.
- 8) Polly notes there was news article about a private Hancock cemetery that appears to use a green burial concept. Bridget will try to find out more information.

Next meeting Jan 6, 2022. Meeting adjourned around 11:30 am.