

Morristown Cemetery Association

7/11/12 Meeting Minutes – 6:30 pm – LHHA Conference Room

In attendance: Joe Yacavone, Annette Smith, Cherie Lefevre, Dennis Smith, Irene Wilkins, Jane Paine, Anne Shackett

- I. Sheila Demars wants to step down as Trustee – 6 month notice
- II. Irene read from archived minutes:
 - a. In 105 years of Association history, only 4 women have been MCA presidents
 - i. 1923-1925 ... Mrs. Shaw
 - ii. 1926 – 1929 ... Mrs. Tillotson
 - iii. 1930 – 1940 ... Pauline Wilkins (served total of 26 yrs in Association) In 1940, it was decided that a man should serve as President
 - iv. 2008 – 2012 ... Anne Shackett (Irene presented Anne with a Thank You plant for her years of service)
- III. Jane reported that she continues to work on the endowment clarification and tax exemption application
- IV. Randolph Report:
 - a. Dennis showed pictures – one large bush needs cutting – they are losing some stones on one whole side where brush is taking over – areas are not getting mowed where the zero-turn mower can't get thru
- V. Laporte Report:
 - a. 8 – 10 small stones (not broken) but are unglued
 - b. 6 flat stones are leaning
 - c. Mower is not trimming under the fence
 - d. There is a stone under the lilac bush (50 ft from others) that is losing visibility
 - e. Rail on the new fence won't stay locked (Menard's Agway) – Dennis has spoken to them and written to them with no response.
- VI. Riverside Report:
 - a. Fence bids have not gone out yet – hope to have them out by the end of July
 - b. Need old maple tree cut down – town is trying to determine "whose tree it is"?
 - c. Fireworks residue left in cemetery – notified police
 - d. 2 stones need repair
- VII. Lakeview Report:
 - a. Mark Faith met with Roland Boivin to determine where the road should go around the cemetery
 - b. Roland took gravel to Zach Goodell (mower) for fixes on the side of banks
 - c. Some areas have been cleared
 - d. Cemetery is not getting mowed every week – Zach is not getting grass off the stones

Plains Report:

- a. Sheila absent – no report available – maybe 1 stone broken

Mountain View Report:

- a. Bohannon stone (1913-1920) broken
- b. Total of 6 stones down or broken at the base
- c. Approx. 12 stones tipping or leaning
- d. Anne gave "Smith" family permission to leave grapevine
- e. One dead tree needs to be removed
- f. Clyde Dyke's cornerstone was found in the bushes (unsure what happened)
- g. VT Monument – Cleaning ???

X. Wheeler Report:

- a. Jane reported that one stone (Philip Wheeler) broken off base and broken in half – Asked John Clegg approx price to repair while he was at the cemetery one day – said \$150
- b. Minimum of 10 stones need to be straightened
- c. Mowing has been acceptable at this point
- d. Irene mentioned that several of her friends wanted the fence painted and not repaired. Asked if she had told them that the paint would not stick and response was no. It was agreed that this was an on-going project, and the association would determine at a later date the best way to proceed.
- e. Jane would make a call to Brian Shackett to set up a site walk at Wheeler this summer to get quote.