

Lyme Cemetery Trustee Meeting Minutes

June 3, 2016

Members present: Michael Hinsley, Laurie Wadsworth and Laurel Ross

Guest: Michael Whitman

New Topics: Michael Whitman came to the meeting today to discuss the idea of natural burials in the town of Lyme. He reviewed the broader concept of green/natural burials. The trustees were interested in learning more about the state laws and how other towns have incorporated green burial into their cemeteries. Michael Whitman offered to be in contact with Lee Webster, who is an expert in the state, to try to set up a meeting with the trustees. Michael Hinsley will check state laws regarding current burial requirements to be able to compare to the practices with a natural burial.

Projects: Michael Hinsley will contact Tony Pippin regarding the gate repair at Beal Cemetery that still needs to be completed. He will also contact workers regarding the stone walls at Beal. Laurel will call Bill Labombard regarding painting quotes from last year for the cemetery shed and garage. Minor fence repair at the Old Cemetery has been completed.

Contractor work: We have established a 2016 contract with Bartlett Tree for pest control. Laurel has calls out to Jim Amber and Jim Henderson and is still waiting to hear back from them. Jonathan Appel will do his stone work later in the summer.

Shed wiring: The trustees were alerted by Dina over the winter that the building committee had noticed wiring pulling away from the shed. Dina and Bill Labombard had recommended removing the electricity from this shed as it is no longer used here. The trustees voted unanimously in favor of eliminating the electricity from this building.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurel Ross, Chair