

The Thornton Cemetery Trustees met on April 28, 2022, at the Sugar Shack, Thornton, NH at 4:00pm.

In attendance were Trustees: Geraldine A. Benton-Carbonneau, Mike Benton, and Wendy Johnston, Superintendent of Cemeteries, Brad Benton. (The Thornton Selectmen were invited through the Town Administrator, Deb Shepard—Reply that three selectmen were on vacation, so no selectmen were in attendance.)

A motion was made and accepted to read the minutes from the previous cemetery meeting. The minutes were read by Geraldine and accepted by a unanimous vote.

The first order of business was a report on maintenance of cemeteries from superintendent, Brad who reported he submitted his first bill of the season approximately \$2400.

The cemetery trustee board discussed the look of Pine Grove since the pine trees had been cut around the cemetery on Parker Uhlman property. Parker got permission to take big leaning pine trees down that were hovering over near the cemetery. He did this at his own expense.

The monies from a termed CD that is held liquid for the expansion of roads in the newer section of Pine Grove Cemetery. The trustees discussed having a surveyor come in to lay out the roads and new lots in the right-hand section. Brad also mentioned the downed trees would need stumping prior to any road construction. It was discussed about the construction of the road asking Brad if he could construct the new road once the section of the cemetery had been surveyed. Brad thought he and his help could construct the road without any problem.

The cemetery trustees discussed the increase of burial prices. This will be addressed further in the next cemetery meeting. The trustees also discussed with Brad the handling of burial monies and he agreed to the flow of burial monies being recorded through the town.

Geraldine reported she had a call from Gretchen Blake, who live in California wanting to bring her mother's ashes to Pine Grove to be interred in the Brown lot. Geraldine called Gretchen leaving a message on with her answering service. No return calls.

The next order of business was discussing the available land Alan Uhlman proposed to the cemetery trustees for additional lots at the Mad River Cemetery. The trustees agreed to walk the lines at 10am, April 29, to get a further understand the size and location of proposed property. Mike, Brad, and Geraldine met at 10am reviewing the section of land. Since the quorum of trustees were at Mad River along with the superintendent, the quorum of trustees reviewed the Richard Uhlman lot as his stepdaughter would like to erect a monument on the last lot in the Richard Uhlman plot. It was agreed to the same size monument as the present ones. Geraldine let Karen Walsh know.

The meeting adjourned at 4:56 pm.