

Town of Nelson Cemetery Board

Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2015

I. Call to order

Elaine Giacomo called to order the regular meeting of the Town of Nelson Cemetery Board at 7:18 pm on April 28, 2015 at the Olivia Rodham Memorial Library.

II. Roll call

Elaine Giacomo conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Elaine Giacomo, D. Judi Lang, and Candyce Fulford. Not attending: Marty French

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Elaine Giacomo read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

IV. Open issues

- a) Welcome to Candyce Fulford, newly-elected Board member
- b) A list of all Board members names and phone numbers was given to each member present. A copy of the "Rules and Regulations of the Nelson Cemetery" was given to Candyce, along with a copy of the responsibilities of The Board of Cemetery Trustees as outlined by the State of New Hampshire

V. New business

- a) A redistribution of Board duties included an invitation for Candyce to be the Recording Secretary, while Elaine would remain as the Board Chairman, and Marty French will be the contact person for burials.
- b) Cemetery maintenance: We still have had no luck in securing a maintenance company, or persons, to provide regular maintenance to the cemeteries located within the town limits. A number of names were offered up as persons or companies to contact, and Elaine will follow up on these candidates. We are hoping to be able to secure a maintenance company or persons in order to clean up the cemeteries before Memorial Day.
- c) Memorial Day preparations: Elaine mentioned that perhaps we could get the Nelson Elementary School students involved in getting ready both for Memorial Day and again in the fall with the placement and removal of flags. Candyce offered to email the school principal with this request. Judi and

Elaine both acknowledged that the cemetery grounds needed to be inspected and cleaned of items that had been left over the winter. Elaine suggested that perhaps the floral offerings on veterans' graves might be carnations this year, rather than pots of geraniums. Her thinking was that the carnations would have less of an environmental impact on the grounds, as well as being maintenance free. This was met enthusiastically, and both Judi and Elaine offered to look further into this possibility.

- d) Memorial Day in Nelson will be observed on Sunday, May 24th, beginning at the Nelson Town Hall.
- e) The topic of setting goals for the Cemetery Board was tabled for another day.
- f) The next meeting of the Cemetery Board will be May 19, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Olivia Rodham Memorial Library.

VI. Adjournment

Elaine Giacomo adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Candyce Fulford

Minutes approved by: _____