

**MINUTES OF MEETING
NELSON CEMETERY BOARD
September 19, 2017**

Members Present: Harry Flanagan, Marty French, Elaine Giacomo

Committee chair Elaine Giacomo called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Members approved the minutes of the July meeting (no quorum in August).

The committee discussed its sudden depletion of members since Candyce resigned and Sarah will no longer be able to attend meetings. After a short discussion, it was decided that Elaine will ask Laurie Smith to join the committee and Harry will ask Bette Lenox. If they accept, they will be invited to the October meeting.

Elaine reported that the Munsonville Cemetery sign is in bad shape and will need replacing soon. She will ask Peter Poanessa from Keene Signworks for an estimate on replacing the sign, and will get back to the committee with the results. She will talk to the Trustees of the Trust Fund about using money from the Munsonville Cemetery trust fund to pay for the sign.

Peterborough Granite and Marble has not been at the Nelson Cemetery doing the repairs to the headstones. Elaine will contact them to make sure that they are still doing the work.

An issue arose regarding a cemetery plot that was purchased in the "old" Nelson Cemetery – we can't find it. Apparently there are no written records for who was buried where in the old cemetery, and although the owner has his receipt for the purchase and the four cornerstones, the cornerstones cannot be found. Elaine will work with the owner's daughter to find the grave.

Phil Hamilton never got back to Harry with an estimate for fixing the drainage issue in the "new" cemetery – Harry will check back with him.

Elaine purchased more D2 headstone cleaner and will probably purchase a tank sprayer specifically for the purpose of the cleaning the headstones. No date has been set for another cleaning foray.

The committee discussed removing flags from the cemeteries after Veterans Day. Harry will do the Munsonville Cemetery and Elaine will cover the Nelson cemeteries.

There being no further business, the committee adjourned at 7:35 pm. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 17.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Giacomo