



Town of Candia

Cemetery Trustees

74 High Street

Candia, New Hampshire

03034

Meeting Minutes – January 8, 2010

Chairman Snow opened the meeting at approximately 7 PM in the Meeting Room of the Candia Town Office Building and provided proof of posting. Candia residents Jim Franklin, Jim Lindsey and George Ahern were also present.

A copy of a petitioned warrant article to elect Cemetery Trustees rather than having the selectmen serve as Cemetery Trustees was discussed and it was noted that the article was being prepared for submission to the selectmen for inclusion on the warrant for the March annual Town Meeting.

At the last meeting, Jim Franklin had provided a formal proposal for making progress toward the goal of having a perimeter survey for every cemetery (public & private) in town. Because the proposed cost was so low that it almost qualified as a donation, Mr. Snow attempted to get the money encumbered out of this year's budget. The selectmen were not amenable to that suggestion, so Mr. Snow asked Jim to formally propose a subset of the original proposal to do the public cemeteries only and to do the deed research on the old Village Cemetery. That contract was reviewed, approved and Mr. Snow signed it on behalf of the Cemetery Trustees, out of FY2010 funds. Jim Lindsey provided copies of a number of deeds for town cemeteries.

There was continued discussion of regulations for our cemeteries. George Ahern agreed to research surrounding towns to determine what they're charging for the different services that cemeteries provide. Perpetual Care Funds and Trustees of Trust Funds responsibilities were discussed. Further review and discussion of prior cemetery recordkeeping was done.

The Chair will continue to work with the office staff to develop and implement any necessary actions formalizing the cemetery operating and reporting procedures that become effective 1 January 2010 and report on the status at the next meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting (12/11/09) were accepted with the amendment that residents Mary & Bob Hayes were present rather than Judith and Warren Hyde. Mr. Snow regrets the faulty identification of our guests but respectfully invites Judith and Warren to come visit with us at any of our meetings. .

There being no additional "Other Business", the chair thanked all the attendees for their participation and adjourned the meeting at 8:35 PM. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 12th, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Town Office Building Meeting room.