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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 1, 2019, 7pm

Gilmanton Academy

503 Province Road

Present: Trustees Candace Daigle, Leonard (JR) Stockwell, Jr. and John Dickey; Staff P. Lines.

Minutes:

MOTION: On a motion by J. Dickey, seconded by JR Stockwell, it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 21, 2018 as written. (3-0)

Budget:

- Trustees reviewed 2018 year-end budget.
- 2019 budget adopted as proposed; included additional wage and stipend funds.

General Items:

- **Planning Board** projects for subdivision on Stage Road and Offices in the Corner Café were returned as “no comment”.
- **Website** - Town’s new website is up and much improved. Hopefully the Trustees will have access to the cemetery page once it has been finalized.
- NHCA fall and spring meetings were attended. The take-away was that even prep for **cremain burials** should be witnessed by a Trustee or staff. Also, great presentation on relocation of human remains.
- **Orphan stones** from the Province Road site have not been picked up by Concord.
- **Samuel Greely** stone found in Dover-Foxcroft. Consensus was that it should stay where found unless there is evidence he was buried in Gilmanton.

Sites:

- **Beede Cemetery Lettering** – J. Dickey called to determine Mr. Beede’s Gilmanton work schedule which should commence after Memorial Day; no return call yet.
- **Maintenance** – P. Lines noted he’s ready to get into the sites as soon as it is dry enough. When asked if he wanted the Trustees to check on available help for the Memorial Day rush, he said not at this time and he’d contact the Trustees as needed. K. Stockwell will begin work as soon as she is able, probably mid-June.
- **Signs** – Additional discussion on uniform identification signs for the sites. The Trustees would like to use a material more long-lasting than wood. In addition, it was agreed to purchase u-channel steel posts for the regulation signs.
- **Beech Grove** – Gate is open for the season. Lemire sale of two lots finalized. Several limbs down. P. Lines will handle.
- **Buzzell** – On Mr. Beede’s schedule for granite posts.
- **Hillside** – Several limbs down. P. Lines will handle.

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- **Mary Butler Homestead** – JR Stockwell last checked the site last fall. Appeared fine. Gate still functions. He said the fence and gate could probably use a coat of stain. He will be using PVC here, also, to mark easement lines.
- **Merrill** – J. Dickey reported an offer to help with the cost of site renovation from Steve Morrison. Gate also needs replacement. He will try to have Mr. Beede look when he's in town. Mr. Morrison is also interested in another cemetery in that area (perhaps the Indian burial ground?). He'll go out with J. Dickey when he's in the area.
- **Osgood** – no evidence that trees have been taken down; if not, will need to await drier weather. On Mr. Beede's schedule for stone work.
- **Plummer** – sign has been taken. Need picture of gate without sign to send to PD along with pre-loss picture.
- **Tibbetts** – On Mr. Beede's schedule for stone work.
- **Town Pound** – JR Stockwell reported he put PVC pipe to mark easement lines. While there he found more markings in the pound wall stones, "SW" and "1847". He had previously seen the "JW" and "1845". Perhaps when the site was begun and finished? He had been told that the original pound had been at the Smith Meeting House but was relocated to the Province Road site.
- **Wilson Hill** – First on Mr. Beede's schedule for stone work.

Staff:

- **Compensation** – Intent of the adopted budget was to increase the equipment stipend and create the position of sexton. C. Daigle will draft job description for review by the Trustees.
MOTION: On a motion by J. Dickey, seconded by JR Stockwell, it was voted unanimously to increase the hourly equipment stipend to \$15 and further investigate the hiring of a Sexton at an hourly rate of \$18.

Next Meeting & Adjournment:

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 5th, 7pm, Academy. A tentative date for the July meeting is Wednesday, July 10th; to be confirmed.

MOTION: On a motion by JR Stockwell, seconded by J. Dickey, it was voted to adjourn at 8:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Candace L. Daigle, Trustee