

Report of the Cemetery Trustees

2014 as a busy year for the Cemetery Trustees who met nearly every month during the year. The Trustees meet every first Tuesday of the month at 4:00 pm in the basement meeting room of the Town Hall. These meeting dates can be found on the meeting calendar on the Town's website.

The Trustees made several improvements to the various cemeteries this year. A new iron gate was purchased for the Hoyt-Currier Cemetery on South Road that will replace the old deteriorated wooden gate. It will be installed in the very near future. Also, new Cemetery Name Signs were made for the 1819 Village Cemetery, the ca. 1759 Hoyt-Currier Cemetery; the ca. 1777 Knowles-Leavitt Cemetery; the 1800 Isaac Brown Cemetery & the ca. 1790 Ingalls-Sleeper Cemetery. These five new signs will last for many years and were a generous gift to the Town thanks to the kind generosity of the Fremont 250th Anniversary Committee.

The water pump in the 1819 Village Cemetery was repaired and made operable for the first time in many years. Hazardous trees that fell down into the rear of the cemetery during a wind storm barely missing some gravestones were cleaned up and removed.

Trustees decided in 2014 to cease selling lots in the Village Cemetery because it is believed to be filled to capacity.

Additional improvements were made in the circa 1777 Knowles-Leavitt Cemetery in 2014. We graded, seeded, and improved the layout of additional lots in the new section of the cemetery. Gravel was purchased and used for the layout of roads between sections C & D.

The Trustees will continue to look into the potential funding for repairs to many broken gravestones in the Town Cemeteries in 2015.

The Cemetery Trustees cannot thank enough the wonderful job that Jackson Rowell, Jess Downing & Brian Lanseigne all do as our part-time seasonal laborers keeping our cemeteries so neat and manicured. This is not an easy task and their hard work is very much appreciated.

Matthew Thomas was elected in 2014 as the new Cemetery Trustee to succeed Richard "Dick" Rand who passed away in late 2013. Leon Holmes Jr agreed to return to the Cemetery Trustees position that was vacated by Robert Stackpole who resigned after many years of service due to moving out of town. The current Board of Trustees sincerely thanks Mr. Stackpole for his many dedicated years of service as a Cemetery Trustee.

The Trustees also wish to extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to Meredith Bolduc who continues to ably assist us at our meetings by keeping our minutes, and performing necessary research. The Cemetery Trustees minutes, meeting schedules, pertinent statutes,

Ordinances, and contact information are always available on the Town Website on the Cemetery page at www.Fremont.nh.gov.

The Town Cemeteries are closed for burials between December 15th to April 1 due to the ground freeze.

To purchase a cemetery lot, you should first speak with Trustees and then see the Town Clerk for payment and deed information.

Please feel free to contact us if you should have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Fremont Cemetery Trustees

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Fremont 1800 Meetinghouse ~ June 2014
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