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TOWN OF BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Cemetery Trustees

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Minutes *March 29, 2017*

Brookline Public Library 6:30PM

Present:

Keith Thompson, Chair Gale Taylor, Vice Chair Brian Rater, Secretary Tad Putney, Town Administrator

Absent:

Jerry Farwell, Sexton

Election of Officers

Brian moved that Keith be elected Chair. Gale seconded. All approved. Keith moved that Gale be elected Secretary. Brian seconded. All approved.

December Minutes

Keith moved to approve the December minutes. Gale seconded. All approved.

Pine Grove Fencing

Jerry has purchased \$3,000 worth of fencing for Pine Grove.

North Cemetery

The border fence of the North Cemetery was damaged by a state snow plow over the winter. The state considers the fence to be within the state right of way. Keith will investigate.

Signs

Gale shared several photographs of sample cemetery signs used by other towns.

Sidewalks

Tad provided an update on the sidewalk that is being built along Pine Grove Cemetery. Construction is about to begin and the marked pine trees will be removed soon.

William and Loraine Dubben Trust Fund

While reviewing the town accounts, the auditors hired by the town found a discrepancy. In 1998, a special trust fund was set up by William and Loraine Dubben. \$10,000 was donated to this trust fund on the provision that the interest would be used to support irrigation expenses for Pine Grove and Lakeside Cemeteries. In 2007, about \$6,500 in principle was taken out of this trust fund to pay for a well to provide water to Pine Grove Cemetery. A few years later, additional funds were used to place several faucets around Pine Grove.

The principle and accumulated interest needs to be restored to this trust fund. Tad will determine what our options are.

Future Meetings

We will meet on June 14th 2017, September 14th 2017, December 14th 2017, and March 22nd 2018.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be June 14th at Pine Grove Cemetery. We will conduct our annual walkthrough of all four cemeteries.

Gale moved that we adjourn. Keith seconded. All approved.

Adjourned at 7:15.