

Vershire Cemetery Trustee Meeting August 14 2025 at the Town Center
Minutes

The meeting came to order at 2: 10 Present Eleanor Zue, Peggy Darrow; Rita French absent.

Old Business

Tree cutting in the South Vershire and Center Cemeteries will not begin until the end of this month.

Grave stones that are laying flat: Peggy consulted Mr. Tom Griffen of the Vermont Old Cemetery Association (VOCA) who advised putting gravel under them. Eleanor suggested rounded pea stones instead. We need to check this out and also inventory the stones that perhaps we should raise above ground level

South Vershire Cemetery

Fencing: Rita found a photograph of the Bedell plot from some years ago that showed the fence differently than what she had laid out. To rebuild the fence as it once was, she has moved the fence posts but hasn't yet nailed on the planks. All the wood for the fence is pressure-treated so we will not need to seal or paint it.

Grave inscription list: Eleanor found several typos in what was intended to be the final copy (for example Handing for Harding) and Peggy found a few others, but the list is now complete and ready to be posted on the town's website with the lists of the other two cemeteries.

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Replacing the stone broken last year: Eleanor checked with Green Valley Memorials to find out the cost of replacing the broken stone with a similar one: \$1023 for a granite stone, not including installation. This is too expensive. Eleanor will check other options, for example a smaller stone or a plaque.

Question of boundaries of this cemetery: We have contacted the surveyor Mr. Tom Otterman about surveying this cemetery; he and his son, Matthew will be meeting with us next month on Wednesday September 10 at 9AM.

Eleanor called to Cheryl Ash who says she has placed corner stones and has a deed for the plot. We don't remember this but will check our records.

New Business

An animal, a dog most likely, has been digging holes in the South Vershire Cemetery. Peggy filled them in. She also filled in the gouges created by the fallen tree in the Center Cemetery.

Our next meeting will be on September 11 at 3.

The meeting adjourned 2:40 Respectfully submitted



Margaret H. Darrow
Vershire Cemetery Trustee