

Vershire Cemetery Trustee Meeting, Thursday November 19 at 2 PM
in the Town Center, 27 Vershire Center Rd., Vershire, VT

The meeting came to order at 2:17 PM. Present: Peggy Darrow and Rita French. Eleanor Zue joined us at 2:35.

Old business:

The broken stone in the Village cemetery: We need more information both about the price of possible replacements including tablets and also how much money we have left from moving and maintenance this year. We are tabling this decision until the spring.

Mowing: Connor and Nicole did a final mowing just after our meeting last month. It was proposed, seconded and voted that we hire Mark and his family to mow for us again next year. They did an excellent job. We need to get in touch with him, find out how he is doing and if he is interested in this job and how much he would charge. This year we contracted for 11 mows for a total of \$6655. With the inflation rate of 2.8, the total adjusted for inflation for next year would be \$622 a mow or \$6842 for 11 mows.

New business:

Fannie Bugbee's gravestone in South Vershire cemetery broken by Owen Wagner's tree service and repaired by him is now broken once more. Whatever he used to repair it did not do the job. We will investigate having it repaired correctly.

Two gravestones pushed over in Catholic Cemetery: #5 Mary E. Doyle and #6 John and Catherine Doyle. Mary E. Doyle's gravestone was repaired by Green Valley Memorials in 2023. It has not been rebroken but simply pushed over. We don't know when this happened. Alan Rowell has done some brush-cutting in the cemetery and may have an idea of when this damage occurred.

Cemetery Trustee Report to the Town. Peggy will draft a report and send it to Eleanor and Rita for editing. After talking to Mark, she will consult with the other trustees and draft a budget request.

This is the last meeting of Vershire's Cemetery Trustees in 2025. We will reconvene in May 2026.

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted
Margaret H. Darrow
Vershire Cemetery Trustee