

**Minutes**  
**Cemetery Trustees**  
**September 11, 2023**  
**6p**

Meeting opened at 6:04

Present: Kay Hartnett, Kristi LeGore, John Reynolds, Barbara Larmond, Cynthia Krill

Motion to approve minutes from August 8. Voted and approved.

Discussed the software program that Rick Stoye is writing for us. He had given the trustees a sample site to look at and comment on. We discussed some changes and Kay will give Rick a write-up of all our comments by September 15. This software is a great contribution to the town of Deering.

Discussed and updated the process by which a burial plot is purchased. John Reynolds has been working with the the Trustees of the Trust Funds and according to them, there should be two checks; both made out to the Trustees of the Trust Funds, but one should have the words "Perpetual Care" in the memo line, and the other should have "Plot Purchase" in the memo line. Our form will be updated to reflect this language on our web page.

Motion to purchase Bob Macente's markers from the Other Supplies line. Voted and approved.

Discussed budget for 2024. We will work to put together numbers for purchasing D2 to clean headstones; flags for Veterans; payment to Garry Kalajian to continue iron repair work in Appleton, West Deering, and East Deering Cemeteries; and Peterborough Marble and Granite to perform headstone straightening and repair. All of these items will be perennial projects.

Barry LaValley's mowing contract concludes this year. We will have the BOS put out a bid for a two or three year contract starting in 2024. Contract should include keeping encroaching perimeter plants at bay as well as mowing and general clean-up. Tree removal would be a separate cost and should be accounted for in the budget.

Meeting adjourned at 7:04