

Historic Cemetery Committee Minutes  
December 13, 2005

Members present: Shelly Merriam, Roy Henry, Mary Brundage,  
Sheryl Romasco, Doris Ostroskey and Beth Butler  
Absent: Jill Kenrick

Motion made to accept the minutes of the November 14, 2005  
meeting by Beth Butler and seconded by Roy Henry. Unanimous

OLD BUSINESS

1. Joseph Richardson Cemetery/Unnamed Cemetery off King Street  
Shelly wrote up the Committee's concerns and  
recommendations (from our 11/14/2005 meeting) for the Evergreen  
Acres Conservation Development Project and its impact on the  
above mentioned cemeteries and sent them to Tracy Koprusak of  
TransCanada Marketing and TransCanada Vice President Bill  
Taylor. There has been no response. (Letter was sent 11/30/05)

Shelly and Sheryl will attend the Planning Board's Public  
Hearing on Evergreen Acres tomorrow evening (12/14/2005) to see  
what changes have been made concerning the cemeteries. They  
will check to see if committee concerns were addressed.

Beth asked that both cemeteries be marked off with  
permanent markers to clearly show the cemetery boundaries. This  
issue will be brought to Steve and Doug.

Roy met with Doug and Steve on 11/18/2005 and took them to  
the unnamed cemetery. Roy showed them the clearly marked graves  
and explained that there may be other graves in the area. These  
graves are marked with simple field stone markers. Some may  
have fallen over and be covered with dirt and leaves. He left  
the men taking measurements and marking off the area.

2. Buxton Cemetery:

BJ's representative Brain Ricker met with Shelly on  
November 29, 2005 at the cemetery to discuss the problems with  
rain washing out the sand on the south side of the cemetery and  
the excavators digging too close to the cemetery. The rep was  
upset with the situation

After examining the site and discussion with Shelly the new  
plan is to put up tiered block walls (instead of concrete walls)  
around the cemetery. The wall will range from 8' to 18' in  
height because of the slope of the cemetery.

The tiered block wall (similar to the wall behind Savers'  
Co-op) will have geogrids installed in the different layers to  
add stabilization to the wall.

The project is supposed to start this week and take three  
weeks to complete.

### 3. Fundraising

Shelly wrote a letter to the Uxbridge Woman's Club asking for a donation to support an historic property survey of the Historic Cemeteries using GPS positioning. The Woman's Club asked Shelly to come to their Wednesday, January 4, 2006 Executive Board meeting to discuss the project further.

### 4. Norden Cemetery

Shelly received a letter from Judy Collin stating that no one was willing to step forward and become trustees for the cemetery. She asked the Historic Cemetery Committee to help in any way possible. Shelly will ask Jill to speak with Laurie Berthillette from Millville to see what information we can find about the cemetery.

## NEW BUSINESS

### 1. Annual Report

Members read and discussed a draft of the Annual Report.

### 2. Funding Report

Members received a copy of the Cemetery Funds and their balances from the Town Accountant.

### 3. Blanchard Building

Sheryl asked if the committee would be interested in having space at the Blanchard Building to showcase different cemeteries and/or set up displays, and keep records there. Also, there would be meeting room space available for our use.

### 4. Date for next meeting was set for Tuesday January 17, 2006 at the Uxbridge Police Station

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. Motion made by Doris Ostroskey. Second by Mary Brundage Unanimous.

January 17, 2006

Motion to accept the minutes as written by Beth Butler.

Second by Roy Henry

Approved unanimously

Submitted by Sheryl Romasco

Secretary