

Sugar Hill Cemetery Trustees Meeting – April 10, 2025
5:00pm at The Crapo Building

Present: Leo Dickinson, Kathy Jablonski, Lynn Kenerson, Larry Sawyer, Lynne Warren.
Also present: Peter Carbonneau, Sexton

Regular Business Meeting called to order at 5:01pm by Kathy Jablonski, Acting Chair

Welcome newly elected trustee

Larry Sawyer

Elect a chairperson, vice chair and secretary

MOTION: (Kenerson, Warren) to elect Kathy Jablonski as Chairman, Larry Sawyer as Vice Chair and Lynn Kenerson as Secretary.

VOTE: All in favor.

List of Trustees with Terms:

Kathy Jablonski	2026
Lynne Warren	2026
Leo Dickinson	2027
Lynn Kenerson	2027
Larry Sawyer	2028

Set meeting dates and time for 2025-26

MOTION: (Kenerson, Dickinson) to hold meetings the second Thursday of the month at 5:00pm at the Crapo Building as needed throughout the year.

VOTE: All in favor.

Approval of the Minutes

MOTION: (Sawyer, Dickinson) to approve the minutes from December 12, 2024 as presented.

VOTE: All in favor.

Sexton's Report

- Peter started cemetery work April 1, 2025. Overall, he reports that the cemeteries weathered the winter well. There was less damage from falling tree branches than in years past, thanks to our proactive tree work. A falling tree did damage a section of rail fence at Streeter; the fence has already been repaired with extra rails that Peter had on hand.
- Grave markers: A fragile slate stone at Sunnyside did fall due to weather, and there is another that is vulnerable. Larry and Peter will evaluate that one ASAP.
- New flags: Both flag poles are flying new flags (US and NH).
- Brochure boxes: Two boxes are ready to install. Lynn K. will get more brochures made.
- Picket fence: Peter reached out to the contractor – hoping to get on their calendar soon.
- Gravel roads: John Peckett is on track to refurbish them this spring.
- Stone cleaning: Luke Harvey is no longer in the business. Peter is looking at other options.
- LIDAR: The provider has been contacted and we're on his schedule for this spring.
- 911 addresses: Both cemeteries now have official street addresses.
(610 Streeter Pond Rd for Streeter/Hannah & 1576 Route 117 for Sunnyside)
- Summer assistant: Still in the works – Peter is exploring various possibilities.

- Drones: On multiple occasions people have used Sunnyside as a drone launch area. The committee briefly discussed whether that activity should be prohibited.
- Paving: Peter met with the Road Agent to coordinate the project and to get updated pricing. He also contacted the abutters to explore whether they might be interested in partnering with our project, which gives us more volume and potentially a better price.
- A full burial is scheduled for May 10th. It's a difficult location, and the road crew will be able to assist.

Old Business

- Kathy will continue to provide information for the town newsletter.

New Business

- Annual review of the bylaws
MOTION (Kenerson, Dickinson) to accept the Bylaws as written.
VOTE: All in favor.
- Annual review of Rules and Regulations
MOTION (Kenerson, Sawyer) to accept the Rules and Regulations as written, with the understanding that we will revisit the topic of drones at the next meeting.
VOTE: All in favor.
- Review town meeting budget approval
 - Propose capital reserve fund for 2026 budget.
 - There's a \$400 discrepancy between our proposed budget and what was approved at town meeting. The committee will follow up next month.
 - The sexton has been instructed to proceed with projects that were planned for 2025.
- 2025 Priorities based on the budget
 - Finding someone new for stone cleaning – or DIY.
 - See notes above from the Sexton's report.
- Memorial Day – Peter will reach out to the VFW regarding a service, and Larry will get the new flags out before May 10th.
- Policy for broken stone(s) – the consensus is to follow our regs, and have the family do any necessary repairs. Lynn K. will investigate other towns' policies and we will continue the discussion next month.

Next Meeting: The next meeting is May 8, 2025 at 5:00pm at the Crapo Building.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynn Kenerson, Secretary

These are the tabled items for future discussion:

- *Green burials*
- *Drone use*