

# DAMARISCOTTA CEMETERY TRUSTEES AGENDA

Thursday, February 1, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. – Zoom

- **budget:** pending schedule for meetings with select board and budget committee
- **Bethlehem:** following up on notation found in papers donated to the library RE: two infants with cenotaphs in Bethlehem, supposedly moved to/from St. Pat's
- **Hillside**
  - Church Street retaining wall proposal and options
  - receiving tomb concrete "wing" walls
  - columbarium follow-up report
    - St. John's, Essex – niche sells for \$2,000
    - construction details pending
  - found notice in Waldoboro Press 3/24/1955 documenting Town Meeting vote to purchase Hillside as a Town cemetery; trustees elected were Lawrence MacKechnie for 1 year, Myron Cunningham (Cummings?) for 2 years, and Clifford Grindall for 3 years
  - found reference to a survey done by John Converse in September 1875; plan not found despite extensive research; Converse was a judge, not a surveyor, so the referenced plan was likely a one-of-a-kind
  - found documentation for two additional likely burials in Old Hodgdon Yard for which no marker is visible: Clara (Wales) Wortman (d. 1892) and her father Thatcher T. Wales (d. 1897)
- **Walpole**
  - two missing post caps replaced by J&H
  - found documentation for additional likely burial for which no marker is visible: Dora Woodward (d. 1927)
- **misc.**
  - FY23 town report submitted to Town Clerk 1/9
  - replace new "Burials Permitted" on web site with slightly edited 1/30/2024 version
  - tracking form created for "Burials Permitted" process
- **calls and contacts**
  - 1/4 – notified Susan Day that her request to use old family lot was approved
  - 1/18 – Chuck Lahaye, inquiring if Hillside Lane was plowed; family making plans to visit during the weekend on anniversary of MIL's death
  - 1/24 – email from Collette Monuments with questions for preparation of Sprague bench
  - 1/25 – Amy Caputi, arranging for inurnment of her mother's cremains in Bethlehem
- **ABGs:** tree work completed at GR1 (Thompson) using Damariscotta Historical Society funds
- **dates of future meetings** (at 10:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted)
  - March 14 \*\*Note this is the *second* Thursday in March.
  - April 4
  - May 2
  - June 6