

## **Tiverton Historical Cemeteries Commission**

Town of Tiverton 343 Highland Road Tiverton, RI 02878

Notice of Meeting Monday, June 13, 2022 at 6:00 PM

This meeting will take place in the Learning Center at the Tiverton Public Library, 34 Roosevelt Way, Tiverton RI. Use of masks is optional.

## Meeting Notice/Agenda

Note: THCC current membership is 5: Susan Anderson, Eileen Costa, Bob Martin, Thomas Snell and Jim Spears.

## Old Business:

- 1. Review of Treasurer's report, May 2022 meeting minutes, and May 2022 action item list.
- 2. Lots needing newly discovered clearing and/or debris removal
- 3. Status of documenting unregistered Macomber lot at Holly Hill Farm LLC and unknown lot at rear of 43 Abel Hart Way. Note: a trip to Taunton to review Land Evidence Records from the time Tiverton was part of Massachusetts will be needed.
- 4. Report on transfer of Isobel Hart's notebooks to the new notebooks and installation in the Tiverton Public Library History Room.
  - a. Note: Jim Spears has 2 large notebooks and Susan Anderson has 1 large notebook which cover the Congregational Cemetery
  - b. Note: Bob Martin obtained the remaining notebooks from Isobel Hart, Jim Spears currently has them
- 5. Report on current status work being done at Tiverton Landfill in general leading to late fall landfill closure and cleaning of Town Farm Cemetery, TV081
- 6. Other items as necessary

## **New Business:**

- 7. Report on acquisition of a tripod plus accessories to be used for gravestone resetting and repair
- 8. Report on conditions found at cemeteries during Memorial Day veteran flag placement
- 9. Cemeteries needing cleaning/clearing include:

- a. Old Stone Church Cemetery, (TV008) general cleanup, lot of fallen debris
- b. Old Lake Cemetery (TV023) needs knock down of fast growing stuff
- c. Benjamin Hambly Lot (TV041) needs knock down of green briar
- d. Daniel Dwelly Lot (TV039) needs general cleanup. There is a lot of sassafras and holly. Holly is not a problem but sassafras is. Holly transplants well.
- Report on successful public tour of Congregational Cemetery (TV011) on Saturday, May 14, as part of 2022 "RI Historical Cemeteries Awareness and Preservation Weeks in April – May 2022".
- 11. Report on gravestones reset (7) and planned repair and resetting work at Congregational Cemetery (TV011)
  - a. Note: Troy Rebello of the Westport group cleaned, repaired and reset the 5 head and foot stones representing the Pardon Smith family. Pardon is Troy's 5<sup>th</sup> great grandfather.
- 12. Scheduling of July 2022 THCC meeting for Monday, July 11, at the Tiverton Public Library.
- 13. Other items as necessary

Jim Spears, Co-Chair, Tiverton Historical Cemeteries Commission