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RIDGEFIELD GRAVEYARD RESTORATION COMMITTEE
SPECIAL EDUCATION MEETING FEBRUARY 24, 2022 5 PM
RIDGEFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY SCOTT HOUSE

PRESENT: Sara Champion, George Hancock, Susan Law, Tom McManus, Nancy Selander, Sarah Slavin

ABSENT: Cathy Potel

Nancy Selander called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.

1. Announcements:

Tribute was paid to Doug Clewell who passed away last week. He was a past chair and an extremely active member of this Committee.

The ashes of a woman who died in 2018 remain unclaimed at Kane Funeral Home and will need to be buried in Mapleshade Cemetery's Cremains Section. Nancy is working with the Selectman's office on this.

2. Mission Statement: A simple and direct statement was presented. A short discussion followed and it will be voted on at the March meeting.
3. The newly created Orientation Packet was presented and the contents reviewed. Descriptions of the enclosed cemetery maps followed. The Branchville Cemetery map will be re-worked to show a change in the roadwork. A map of Ridgebury Cemetery will be added when a current one is modified.
4. The High School Intern project documenting tombstones in Branchville Cemetery was explained and the essential equipment and paperwork presented. A training session for both the interns and the Committee members participating will be scheduled in early May.

A tour of the Historical Society's library and downstairs vault followed. Manuals and paperwork essential to the Graveyard Committee's work were presented and briefly discussed.

A short re-cap of the current plans for the skeleton's re-burial on May 1st was given.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 PM.

Susan Law, Recorder