

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

2020 was a different year for everyone, as well as the Hyde Park Cemetery Commissioners. We held less in-person meetings, had more site walks with masks and social distancing, and spent more time communicating by phone or emails.

However, in spite of the turmoil, we are proud to say our six (6) cemeteries (Village, Jedediah Hyde, Center, Holbrook, Hooper, and North Hyde Park) were kept mowed and maintained by Spaulding Property Management, LLC, and they have been contracted for the 2021 season.

The entrance to the Hooper Cemetery has been widened, making it easier to enter with a vehicle. Our cemeteries are in need of a lot of repair work as well as cleaning of stones. It was decided to review and get an idea of the cost of what needs to be completed in each cemetery. This information would be helpful for now and for the future as we plan expenses with funds available.

It was discovered that American Flags were removed from the cemeteries prior to Veteran's Day. At this time, we do not know who removed them or why.

Growing trees and shrubs continue to be a problem. PLEASE do not plant them on your lot(s), and if you have, please remove them or have them groomed. In some places, the growth is overtaking the grave stones.

Our thanks to Spaulding Property Maintenance in keeping our cemeteries well cared for and to Hillside Trash (Ethan and Donna Hill) for cemetery trash removal.

Due to health conditions, Mary Foss submitted her resignation. Her resignation was accepted, and her granddaughter, Sarrah Patch, expressed an interest in fulfilling the term. We thank Mary for her many years working with us. She was a big asset and we wish her the best.

If you have any questions regarding Hyde Park Cemeteries, please feel free to contact a Cemetery Commissioner.

**HYDE PARK CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS**  
 Judith T. Lanphear, Secretary  
 Robert Foss, Treasurer  
 Christine Cooney  
 Nioka H. Houston  
 Sarrah Patch

<b><u>2020 FINANCIAL REPORT</u></b>	
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>	
Sale of Lots	\$ 4,625.00
Town Appropriation	\$20,000.00
Donation (Martha Fink)	\$ 50.00
Interest	<u>\$ 28.16</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$24,703.16</b>
<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>	
- Caretaker (Spaulding Property Mgmt)	\$ 8,000.00
- Rubbish Removal (Hillside Trash)	\$ 76.00
- JBW Excavation (NHP Cemetery Trees)	\$ 602.00
- JBW Excavation (Hooper Cemetery Trees and Entrance Gate)	\$ 2,489.53
- JBW Excavation (Center Cemetery Trees)	\$ 3,531.50
- Postage (stamps)	\$ 23.00
- Menards Agway	\$ 19.31
- Cusson's Accounting (Supplies/Binders)	\$ 50.00
- Clegg's Memorials (corner posts)	\$ 320.00
- VT Monuments (corner posts)	\$ 400.00
- Appropriations	
-Plains	\$ 1,375.00
-St. Teresa's	\$ 1,375.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$18,261.34</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 6,441.82</b>
<b>BENJAMIN CAMPBELL FUND</b>	
Balance as of 12/31/2019	\$ 2,361.08
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