Waterbury Cemetery Commission

January 5, 2016 meeting minutes

4 pm - Steele Block conference room

Present: John Woodruff, Betty Jones, Jack Carter, Chad Ummel

December 1<sup>st</sup> minutes – accepted and approved

<u>Financial Reports</u> – John distributed budget status report, balance sheet and Edward Jones investment. It seems we were -\$58.29 (over budget) for 2015. Our investments showed a loss on the latest statement of September 25, 2015. We will await final figures for 2015 when end of year reports are available

<u>2016 Budget</u> - We will ask for the same amount from property taxes as in the past - \$15,000. We will also ask for \$5,000. line item for cleaning and repairing stones.

<u>Hope Cemetery</u> - Because of winter weather no inventory of the stones had been done in December. Work to begin again in the Spring. Some ideas for future projects were discussed: connect water lines, remove chain link fence at right side of entrance and erect a new fence.

<u>Winterfest</u> – Chad relayed a request from organizers of the festival asking approval to use Loomis Hill Cemetery as a meeting venue for a talk and walk event during Winterfest. It was recommended that they ask the new owner of the Howsmon property access or to use the old road from Shaw Mansion Road. Chad will pursue these options.

<u>Burial Report</u> – John noted that we had a total of 20 burials in 2015; 16 in Maple Street and 4 in Hope. Of these were 15 cremains and 5 full burials. This amount is about average.

<u>Other Business</u> – Demeritt Cemetery on Blush Hill and Johnson Cemetery are in need of reclamation. Jack will write Commissioners article for the Town Report – due by January 20.

<u>Next Meeting</u> - February 2<sup>nd</sup> in the <u>Conference Room of the Municipal Center – 28 North Main Street</u> – 4pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Carter