Minutes of the May 6, 2026, Town of St. George Cemetery Committee Meeting

Present: Bill Torpey, Joline Godfrey, Patti St. Clair, Dereck Jay, Susan Murphy

Also Present: Dawn Gauthier, Rob Beguelin

The meeting was called to order by Patti at 4:30 at Town Hall

The minutes of the March 4th meeting were approved as corrected

Joline postponed to the June meeting her research on cremation additives

Dawn has been trying to get in touch with Walter Gealick about creating new Seaside Cemetery gates. No response so far.

From the previous meeting, Randy is looking into the status of the flagpole for the cemetery

Rob is to contact Noah Bly about the gate project

Susan and Dawn met with Judson Star. They are very excited to be working with him on our headstone restoration project. He is from Kennebunk and will be coming to Seaside Cemetery August 3rd to the 6th this summer. He will be working for 4 days. He charges $900 a day plus materials. To keep his costs down he will be staying at Rob Beguelin's while he is working here.

Dereck Jay motioned that we approve Judson Star's proposal, Joline seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

There was a discussion of the ArcGIS Survey 123 app, how it works, and how to use it to further document grave sites in both Ridge and Seaside Cemeteries.

Bill gave an update on Charles Haskell's headstone which dates from 1812. A new headstone from the VA will be delivered in late April.

There was further discussion about green burials. The Committee needs to get approval from the select board before proceeding any further. A proposal will be drafted at ensuing meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30