

UNDERHILL CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Located on Park Street
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Underhill, Vermont 05489
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802-899-2233
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News Letter 2026

"You can tell a lot about a town by the way it cares for its cemeteries."

Author Unknown



BEFORE

DURING

AFTER

One of our neighbors, Adam Quinn, behind our cemetery decided to cut approximately 40 trees on his property, some were dead trees and he wanted to cut them before they fell on to the monuments in the cemetery. The company **DJ TREE SERVICE in Colchester, VT (802-655-0264)** that he chose to cut his trees asked us if they could enter Adam's property by going through the cemetery and we gave them permission. We had noticed that we had about 9 trees around our small storage shed that were also starting to die, so we asked **DJ TREE SERVICE** for a quote to cut and remove the trees from the cemetery property. **THEY DECIDED THAT BECAUSE WE ARE A NON-PROFIT ASSOCIATION AND SUPPORTED SOLELY BY THE FAMILIES OF THOSE BURIED IN THE UNDERHILL CEMETERY THAT THEY WOULD DONATE THEIR SERVICES TO REMOVE OUR TREES!!!! THANK YOU, DJ TREE**

WE GRACIOUSLY THANK THE FOLLOWING DONORS FOR 2025

The following donors contributed \$2,780 compared to \$2,805 in 2024,

Alexander, Joan
Clark, Randy & Kitty
Fowler, James
Lavoie, Lois & Mark
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Tower, Scott & Amelia

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Damkot, Mary
Gleason, Roger & Patrica
Montgomery, Tom
St. Amour, John & Brenda

Chase, Carol
Ellsworth, James
Lascelles, Shirley
Schillhammer, Alan & Christy
Stimpson, Judy & Wayne

We invite you to attend the Annual Meeting to be held May 20th at 7PM. Our host will be Allegiance Trucks (formerly Clark's Truck Center) 6 Orr Road, Jericho, VT, we look forward to your participation.

If you are looking for the grave of a loved one in our cemetery or any cemetery, check out the website: Find A Grave

Quick Update on Past Year:

Mapping: Marc Maheux has continued to do the mapping, we would like to thank Marc for doing this and encourage him to keep up the good work. Thank you, Marc.

Mowing: Our mowing contractor, Brian Miller, did a very good job mowing and trimming. Thank you, Brian and crew for your care of mowing and trimming. Our total cost for mowing in 2025 was \$5,305

Trash by the Gate: Please remove your old flowers and Christmas wreaths, and take them home and put them in **your trash** as we do not maintain trash at our cemetery. Thank You

Monuments: Monuments are NOT the responsibility of the UCA, if your monument is leaning or down and or needs repair, please have it repaired. Contact us and we will guide you in the right direction, call or text our Sexton: 802-899-2233

REMEMBER....WE ARE NOT TOWN SUPPORTED., YOUR DONATIONS ARE OUR OPERATING MONEY! ALL OF OUR EXPENSES ARE PAID FROM OUR INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS AND DONORS LIKE YOU. WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT. DONATIONS MAY BE SENT TO PO BOX 2 UNDERHILL, VT 05489

Planned Giving Creating a Legacy

The Underhill Cemetery Association has received generosity from family and friends of people buried here. People have made many types of gifts to support the cemetery and its upkeep.

A gift to the Underhill Cemetery Association can bring important financial benefits to you. Planned gifts can generate lifelong income, convert low-yielding assets into a higher income stream at reduced tax rates, obtain significant income tax deductions, and reduce estate taxes.

There are only three places that your assets will be distributed after your lifetime: your heirs, charitable organizations or the government. Planning now will assure that you control the way your assets are used instead of the Federal government doing that for you by default. Our Trustee can work with you to design the most advantageous ways of giving to meet your goals.

If you would like more information about planned gifts to the UCA please call Randy H. Clark, Trustee at 802-899-2233, or email him at honorarychief@aol.com. We look forward to helping you accomplish your financial and philanthropic goals.

2025 Annual Meeting of the Underhill Cemetery Association

The members of the Underhill Cemetery Association met on Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 7PM at Allegiance Trucks, 6 Orr Road, Jericho, VT.

Members Present: Judy Boardman, Randy Clark, Scott Tower, Marc Maheux, Lynne Kemp.

Guests: Susan and Curt Belten, Shary Marcoux.

Meeting called to order by President Judy Boardman at 7:03 pm, to transact the following business.

1. To hear and act on the reports of its officers.

1a. Secretary's Report

Lynne Kemp presented the Secretary's report from the Cemetery Association meeting of 2024. Mark moved to accept the Secretary's report as read. Judy seconded. The report was accepted as read.

1b. Auditor's Report

Mak presented the Auditor's report (attached).

Mark and Dave Williamson met for a layman's review of transactions, and they found everything to be in order.

They noted Heidi Bartlett had changed the way Tom Fetters had done it, and it took a little longer to match everything up.

However each order matched, and they were satisfied with the review.

Once we have a permanent Treasurer, they'd like to review how to organize everything to make the review faster.

Randy noted Katelyn Ouellette has temporarily filled in as the interim Treasurer.

Lynne moved to accept the Auditors report.

Judy seconded. All accepted as read.

1c. Treasurer's Report

Randy presented the Treasurer's Report (attached).

We reviewed all investments listed, including purchase of lots and corners, and grave digging.

Our total income was \$20,522.35

Our income was greater than the expenses - which are mowing, insurance, flowers, water, etc.

The total expenses are \$19,139.15

The net after expenses is \$1,383.20

The \$36.00 service charge is still present since Heidi didn't have a way to print out the statement as part of her record keeping.

Randy listed the rest of our investments.

Mark moved to accept the report.

Lynne seconded. All accepted as read.

1d. Trustee's Report

Randy presented the Trustee's Report (attached).

Trustees go by the calendar year.

Randy reviewed the purchase orders listed.

Orders totaled \$19,103.15

Randy presented a chart showing how the expenses have totaled over the years.

The biggest expense in 2024 was the cost of painting the fence.

Cornerstones are not an actual cost - this amount is paid by the grave purchaser, and then paid to the Sexton for the set of four stones and installation cost.

Grave digging is paid to the cemetery by the family, then the cemetery pays the grave digger.

Mark has continued mapping, thank you Mark!

Mowing:

Big Red outdoor services mowed in 2024 and then we had to hire another contractor because Big Red was too busy to do a final mowing due to such a final wet season. If this weather pattern continues we will have to mow more often and even into October.

We ask people to take their trash home with them.

Newsletters:

We printed and mailed 6 newsletters to those who donate money throughout the year. 318 get the newsletter via email. A total of 324 people get our newsletter.

Monument Repair and Cleaning:

Did not need to do any in 2024 as they look good!

Fence:

It had been 10 years and we worked on some over the years and we finally got it all done in 2024!

Website: continues to be updated by Randy Clark. It has now been updated www.underhillcemetery.com

VT Cemetery Association has not had a meeting since 2020 and Randy isn't sure if they will do it again. Randy spoke with the previous former secretary and she had resigned, so it's unclear.

Grave Prices:

Grave prices go up 5% per year since the 2016 meeting.

A lot, now called a grave, consists of a deeded parcel of land that can hold one casket burial or two cremation burials.

The price for 2025 is \$925 per grave plus \$400 for cornerstones

We do not allow Green burials. We require a casket and vault..

A cremation vault is not required by The Underhill Cemetery.

Mark motioned to approve the Trustee's report.

Judy seconded. All unanimously accepted.

1e. Sexton's Report

The report was presented by Randy, which covers Jan. 2024 - Dec. 2024, see attached.

Sold 7 graves.

We had 5 burials (see the Sextons Report for detailed listing):

3 cremations, 2 full burial.

Obituaries are included in the report for each person, and we also put in their information in findagrave.com if they are not already in there.

Dave Williamson has been working with Randy, should he not be able to continue in the future, to take over as Sexton.

Lynne motioned to accept the Sexton's Report.
Mark seconded. Unanimously approved.

2. Old Business

2a. Mowing

See Trustee's Report above.

2b. Fence Painting

See Trustee's Report above.

2c. Website

See Trustee's Report above.

Judy inquired for any additions to old business.

Randy talked about doing a walk to review stones that needed fixing.

Mark has an aerial view for the website, but it's small and we need something closer. Mark would like to have it so that if you clicked on grave on the map it would bring up information regarding that person(s). But that will be more expensive and time consuming than instead being able to click on the list of names of those buried at the cemetery, and have more information come up about that person(s). That would be easier to make happen.

When Mary Martelle is in VT we can go over the walk with the Trustees at that time to review the headstones.

2d. Monument Repair and Cleaning

See Trustee's Report above.

3. To elect officers for the ensuing year (officers and terms updated list below.)

President Judy Boardman asked if all of the present officers would continue for another term.

All others not present are willing to do it another term.

Randy would like to nominate Katelyn Ouelette as Treasurer.

Mark seconded the nomination.

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Vice President:	Craig Walker	Term Expires 2026
Secretary:	Lynne Kemp	Term Expires 2026
Treasurer:	Katelynn Ouellette	Term Expires 2026

Trustee (3 yr.):	Scott Tower	Term Expires 2028
	Mary Martelle	Term Expires 2027
	Randy Clark	Term Expires 2026
Auditor (3 yr.):	Harland Blodgett	Term Expires 2028
	Marc Maheux	Term Expires 2027
	David Williamson	Term Expires 2026

Mark motioned to accept the slate.

Lynne seconded.

All approved.

4. New Business

President Judy Boardman inquired about any new business.

Randy discussed mowing: Big Red said he would do it for over \$17K. Which we of course passed on.

We put a request out on front porch forum, with no response.

Brian Miller is on the fire dept and he let Randy know he would be able to do the mowing.

He will do it for \$5300 a year at the schedule we have established.

Mow each time, trim half the time. He has new equipment. He is also insured.

We're going to talk more this summer about getting the gate in over the water line.

We're going to have to look if we need to put in two gates - one over each row.

We reached out to the neighbor in the A frame, that we are concerned about their dead trees that could fall into the cemetery. He is going to have DJ's tree service do the work so Randy reached out to DJ's tree service for also doing the trees we need to be done in the cemetery. Particularly the cedars growing against the small building at the back.

5. To transact any other business thought proper.

None

Mark motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Judy seconded.

President Judy Boardman closed the meeting. 8:30pm

Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne Kemp

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**WARNING 2026 ANNUAL MEETING
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Secretary’s report
Auditor’s report

Treasurer’s report
Trustee’s report
Sexton’s report

Old Business

Mowing
Web site
Monument Repair and Cleaning

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New Business

To transact any other business thought proper

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne Kemp

Lynne Kemp, Secretary

If you have a family member buried in the Underhill Cemetery and you are below the age of 60, we REALLY need your help. Most of the positions only take less than 10 hours a year! PLEASE call or text one of the above or 802-899-2233.