

CPC Minutes for August 22, 2007

Present: Peg Brown; Dave Hull; Ariel Hoover; Doug Moore; Lou Ann Cutaia; Brendon Chetwynd and Mike Chambers

Visitors: Bill Cranshaw; Peter Keenan; John Dwyer; Daniel Stuart from the DPW; Bob Moore; Carol Leary; Judith Frediani; Steve Wilchinski and Megan Kelly from the Beacon.

Members of the CPC and other interested parties met at the Maynard Cemetery on August 22, 2007 at 6:30 to take a tour and talk about potential projects for CPC funding. The tour began with the Maynard Tomb. The doors are in a very poor condition. Perpetual care funds can not be used to repair it since the tomb is privately owned. Glenwood Cemetery is included on the National Register of Historic Places; federal grant money for repairs and restorative work may be available in the future. In addition, the cemetery fence is covered with lead paint and is in danger of falling down. (Parts are propped up with poles.) The fact that the fence has sharp points is a safety issue, as well. The group also saw the outside of the winter receiving tomb, which hasn't been opened in fifty years, and is covered by bushes.

Next, Steve Wilchinski talked about the pond in the lower part of the graveyard, and the idea of a boardwalk around it. Blandings' Turtles are a concern, as are marshy areas which might flood in the spring and make the pond walkway impassable. Concerns included the problem that it might fill up with silt and cover the boardwalk. He explained how it could be dredged out, and the costs associated with that. The CPC toured the area around the pond, and noted various areas of concern, such as a storm water pipe that drains silt and runoff from route 117 into the wetlands and the pond.

The meeting ended at 7:30.

Submitted by Ariel Hoover