

Victor Village Cemetery Preservation and Restoration Committee

Meeting Minutes

March 31, 2025

Present: Wilma Townsend, Barb Pippin, Lenore Shields, Michael Boester, Bob Kelly

Bob Kelly called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the September 30, 2024 meeting minutes was made by Barb Pippin, seconded by Wilma Townsend, the motion carried.

Old Business:

a. Introduction of Michael Boester as a new member of our committee - Michael comes to us with a long interest in cemeteries and their preservation; he is involved with Mount Hope Cemetery, leading tours and helping to preserve the cemetery; Bob will contact Michael to set up a date to walk the cemetery

b. Review of responsibilities and history of the committee - the committee continues the legacy of Dianne Parks and Bonnie Waters; we are responsible for the Old Village Cemetery in the Village of Victor and the Park Cemetery on the corner of Main Street Fishers and Route 96. One of our important functions is to increase knowledge and interest in the cemeteries

c. Plans for Spring Tour of Cemetery and Reenactment with Key Club members - Lenore suggested that we have a low-key reenactment similar to what we did with the library walkers last year. Lenore will recruit Key Club members from the Victor Schools to read the scripts and we will use the same scripts that we used last year. Lenore will get back to Bob with a date for the event.

New Business:

a. Walk the Cemetery and check conditions - we put this off until the weather improves

b. Plans for 2025 - In addition to the Key Club reenactment in spring Lenore suggested that we could request Key Club members to come on two separate occasions to clean monuments; Lenore will get back to us with possible dates and with contact information for the Key Club advisor; we also discussed doing tours or some sort of event in conjunction with the Climb Aboard Event in the fall. We will discuss this at our next meeting and address how we could use our resources to show people the cemetery at this event

Observations and Comments

The next meeting will be on June 30, 2025 at the Village Hall at 4:00.

Motion to adjourn was made by Barb Pippin, seconded by Wilma Townsend; The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:00.