

**Minutes of Historic Hillsdale Committee**  
**December 3, 2017 11 am – 12 pm**  
**Hillsdale Town Hall**

**Present**

Jamie Johnson (Chair), Chris Atkins, Timi Bates, Tom Carty, Lex Lalli, Lauren Letellier (by phone), James Wagman, Joan Wallstein

The minutes of the November 12, 2017 meeting were approved.

The sole topic of the meeting was an update on the cemetery project. Lauren gave an update on her discussions with the monument specialist, Martin Johnson. Martin is going to visit the Pill Hill cemetery to assess what he would include in a proposal for restoration. After some heated discussion, it was agreed that there would be no costs incurred for this first step. Lauren reported that should we decide to proceed with an assessment and plan, Martin says he would credit the assessment fee against future work. The group agreed to proceed to a walk-through with Martin to understand his process.

The group agreed to proceed with creating signs for three cemeteries: Pill Hill, Krum, and Old Town. James will create visuals of the signs once he has the wording. Lauren and Chris will see what we have and circulate proposed copy.

In the November 12, 2017 meeting, Mike Stertz agreed to look into restoring and replacing the ironwork fencing. Timi Bates agreed to research an individual interred at Pill Hill whose story could be submitted to the Hillsdale Newsletter of Historian's Blog. As of this writing, these action items are in process.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 pm. The next meeting of Historic Hillsdale will be January 7, 2018 at 11:00 am at the Hillsdale Town Hall.