

# DIVISION OF CEMETERIES

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**TO:** NEW YORK STATE CEMETERY BOARD

**FROM:** MICHAEL D. SEELMAN, INVESTIGATOR II

**SUBJECT:** METTOWEE VALLEY CEMETERY ASSOCIATION, #58-011

**RE:** HAZARDOUS MONUMENT REPAIR CHECKLIST

**DATE:** APRIL 22, 2021

Application Completed and notarized

47 Monuments Requested

**Legal Notice complete and run 3 times in The Granville Sentinel \$267.43**

37 Monuments Appear Hazardous, the cemetery was notified that ten monuments were removed from consideration

Estimates: **Greenwich Family Monuments adjusted estimate \$33,638 (average (\$909/ monument)**  
Churchill Memorial adjusted estimate \$35,125 (average \$949/ monument)

Repairs Appear Appropriate

Greenwich proposes 36-42 inch foundations and Churchill did not give specifications.

Both contractors offer a ten-year warranty.

The Cemetery is up to Date on Annual Reports and Vandalism Payments

**Recommend Approval in the amount of \$33,905.43**

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To: New York State Cemetery Board

From: Leonard Breen, Investigator

Subject: Mettowie Valley Cemetery Association, #58-011

Re: Application for Repair of Hazardous Monuments

Date: April 12, 2021

Exhibits:       A) Application for Repair or Removal of Disrepaired Monuments that Create a Hazardous Condition  
                  B) Estimate from Greenwich Family Monuments for \$42,235 (adjusted to \$33,638)  
                  C) Estimate from Churchhill Memorial for \$44,500 (adjusted to \$35,125)  
                  D) Copy of required notice and bill for \$267.43

## Introduction and Recommendation

On February 4, 2021 I received an application (Exhibit A) for the restoration of 47 dangerous monuments located in Mettowie Valley Cemetery in the Village of Granville, Washington County. This application was submitted by Ronald Barrett, President of Mettowie Valley Cemetery Association. Included with this application is an estimate from Greenwich Family Monuments (Exhibit B) for \$42,235 for the repair of the hazardous monuments and foundation work. Also included is an estimate from Churchhill Memorial (Exhibit C) for \$44,500 for the repair of the hazardous monuments and foundation work. Also included is a copy of the required notice and bill for \$267.43 (Exhibit D).

## The Monuments

I visited the cemetery on April 6, 2021 and found that 37 monuments under application were either loose on their foundations or tipping and appeared to pose a hazard to cemetery visitors and employees. I found 5 monuments: Jennie Jones ; Baldwin & Mosher; David Parry; C. Humphrey; Baker, were laying flat on the ground and did not qualify as dangerous monuments. I also found 3 monuments: Ruth Peets; James Peets; Mary Peets, were too small and did not qualify as dangerous monuments. I was unable to find 2 monuments: Gabriel Shevill; Paul Martelle, so I removed these monuments from the application. It should be noted that I asked for Mr. Barrett's help in locating these monuments, but he also was unable to locate them. The cemetery has had no response to the legal advertisement which it placed, and has no funds dedicated to the restoration of monuments.



Department  
of State

The Greenwich Family repair estimate proposes to reset the monuments on new foundations and seal all joints. They offer a ten-year warranty.

The Churchill Memorial repair estimate proposes to reset the monuments on new foundations and seal all the joints. They offer a ten-year warranty.

### **Recommendation**

The Mettowee Valley Cemetery is up to date with the filing of annual reports and vandalism and assessment fees.

I have adjusted the total amount requested based on the Greenwich Family Monuments estimate, as it is the lower of the two estimates, and after deducting \$8,800 for the ineligible monuments as mentioned above, this appears to be a legitimate claim for \$33,702.43 (\$33,638 monument repair, \$267.43 required notice)

# EXHIBIT A

# Application for Repair or Removal of Dilapidated or Disrepaired Monuments That Create a Dangerous Condition

NYS Department of State  
**DIVISION OF CEMETERIES**  
 41 State Street  
 Albany, NY 12231  
 (518) 474-6226

*Yes*

This application applies only to Not-for-Profit Cemetery Corporations and must be completed in full and signed before a notary public. Funds may be allocated for the above-captioned purposes in accordance with 19 NYCRR §200.11 (statutory authority: Not-for-Profit Corporation Law, §1510-a). The full text of this Cemetery Board Directive appears on the reverse.

AMOUNT REQUESTED: 33,638 ~~42,235~~ 261.43 legal CB  
 COUNTY IN WHICH CEMETERY IS LOCATED: WASHINGTON  
 CEMETERY NAME: METTOWEE VALLEY CEMETERY ASSOCIATION 33,702.43 total  
 CEMETERY ID NUMBER: 58-11  
 NAME OF CEMETERY OFFICIAL: RONALD L. BARRETT TITLE: PRESIDENT  
 STREET ADDRESS: [REDACTED]  
 CITY/TOWN/VILLAGE: [REDACTED] ZIP CODE: [REDACTED]  
 TELEPHONE NUMBERS:  
 Home: [REDACTED] Work: ( )  
 E-MAIL ADDRESS: rbarrett12000@yahoo.com FAX:

Has this cemetery previously applied for and received a grant from the Vandalism, Abandonment & Monument Repair Fund? ..... YES\* NO  
 \*If YES, when? \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Received: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Was proof of completed work forwarded to the Division of Cemeteries? ..... YES NO

\* \* \*

1. Provide a description of each damaged monument and/or marker and enclose referenced photos:
2. Attach copies of bids submitted by at least *two* contractors for the cost of repairs or removal and replacement.
3. Attach proof that the cemetery corporation has given not less than 60-days notice to the last known owner to repair or remove the monument or marker and that said owner has failed to do so within the time prescribed in that notice.

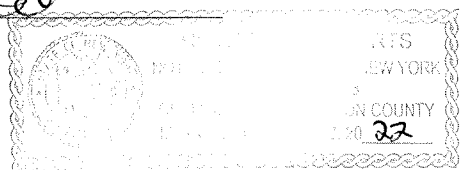
\* \* \*

I, the undersigned, duly authorized, swear or affirm under the penalties of perjury that the above-named cemetery has not been able to obtain sufficient funds from the family of the deceased, that the proposed costs of the repairs or removals and replacements are fair and reasonable and that the above-described monuments and/or markers are so badly out of repair or dilapidated as to create a dangerous condition. I further swear or affirm that the information contained in this application is true and correct. I agree that, upon receipt of monies for the repair or removal of dilapidated or disrepaired monuments that create a dangerous condition, such repairs will be made as quickly as possible and documentation (receipts and statements) of the repairs and removals will be submitted to the Division of Cemeteries within 90 days following completion of work.

Signature of Cemetery Official: Ronald L. Barrett Date: 2/1/2021

On this 1st day of February 20 21  
 appeared Ronald L. Barrett  
 known to me to be said person.

[Signature]  
 Notary Public



# EXHIBIT B

Estimate No. 1

# GREENWICH FAMILY

## MONUMENTS

260 MOSQUITO SWAMP RD

GREENWICH NY 12834

HOME 518 692 9272

CELL 518 796 4169

1/27/21

ATTN: RONALD BARRETT

Mellowee Valley Cemetery

NORTH ST Granville NY 12832

Please find in closed bid for cemetery footing and  
work, will cement and level of stones in your  
Cemetery. \$42,235 IF MORE THE ONE Year to start. ADD. 10%

Thank You  
Jeffrey L. Miller

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## MONUMENTS

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GREENWICH NY 12834

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CELL 518 796 4169

### Steps

1. Remove STONE AND BASE
  2. JACK HAMMER old FOOTING AND REMOVE
  3. DRG. down TO 36" TO 42" Below Frost Level.
  4. POOR Cement WITH wood Frames AND Level.
  5. Replace STONE AND BASE AND RESET WITH STONE Composite BETWEEN STONE AND BASE
- WE USE 8000 PD QUICKRETE 80PD BAGS premix FOR all FOOTINGS
6. all stones are in dangerous condition in danger of falling over.



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## MONUMENTS

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GREENWICH NY 12834

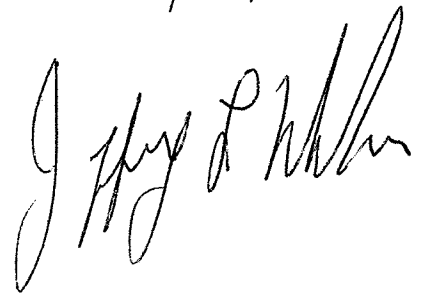
HOME 518 692 9272

CELL 518 796 4169

RONALD BARRETT, Mettlowee Valley Cemetery  
Granville NY 12832

We AT Greenwich Family monuments  
Guarantee All work for concrete footing  
for no more than 10 yrs of work being  
done.

1/27/2021



SECT. C	No. 1	✓	ROBERT MAXWELL BENES	38x37	975. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. C	No. 2	✓	ROBERT & GLADYS ALDRIDGE	61x14	975. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. C	No. 3	✓	G. K. WILLIAMS	48x16	990. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. C	No. 4	✓	GEORGE MCGLLURE; MARY MARO	36x18	875. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. C	No. 5	✓	JOHN HALE	32x12	850. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. C	No. 6	✓	NAME UNKNOWN	52x14	995. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. H.	No. 1	✓	LOIS MYERS	32½ x 14	875. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. H	No. 2	X	JENNIE JONES	NA 39x19	950. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. H	No. 3	✓	WILLIAM J. WILLIAMS	30x18	900. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. H	No. 4	✓	MCINTYRE	33 x 16	875. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. H	No. 5	X	BALDWIN & MOSHER	NA 30½x16	900. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. H	No. 6	✓	JANE GARRICK	10x12	800. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. H	No. 7	✓	HUGH G. WILLIAMS	44x20	975. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. H	No. 8	X	DAVID PARRY	NA 34x14	875. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. H	No. 9	✓	R. HUMPHREY	26x12	875. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. E	No. 1	✓	JOHN W. JONES	24x10	875. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. E	No. 2	✓	EDWARDS	26x12	875. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. E	No. 3	✓	JR. RAYMOND	26½x14	900. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. E	No. 4	✓	RICHARD J. WILLIAMS	40x12	925. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. E	No. 5	✓	HARRY JENNINGS	20x12	850. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. E.	No. 6	✓	WILL BACHLLAN	Pined 24x12	875. <sup>00</sup>
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SECT. E	No. 9	✓	PRITCHARD OWEN	28x12	875. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. E	No. 10	✓	WILLIAM MARTINDALE	28x12	900. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. E	No. 11	X	C. HUMPHREY	NA 20x10	850. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. F	No. 1	✓	PAUL WALDO	44x14	950. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. G	No. 1	✓	JOHN AND JENNIE LINDSAY	24x12	850. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. G.	No. 2	✓	DAVID CRAMER	34x14	875. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. G	No. 3	✓	RUSSELL HORTH	35x15	825. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. G	No. 4	X	HANNA	24x12	850. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. A	No. 1	X	BUTTON AND HAMMOND	46x19 NA	925. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. A	No. 2	X	BAKER	NA 27x14	850. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. A	No. 3	✓	MARY GRAVLINE	30x24	875. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. A	No. 4	Y	RUTH PEETS	NA 24x24 too small	850. <sup>00</sup>
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SECT. A	No. 6	✓	SHAW	31x14	875. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. A	No. 7	X	MARY PEETS	NA 24x24 too small	850. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. D	No. 1	✓	MCGLUE	42x12	950. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. D	No. 2	✓	FREDERICK COLVIN	44x14	950. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. B	No. 1	✓	RICHARD AND SHIRLEY ROZELL	62x14	975. <sup>00</sup>

SECT. J	No. 1 ✓	WILLIAMS, OZZIE & OPAL	44 1/2 x 14	950. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. J	No. 2 ✓	HUGHES, ART	48 x 14	950. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. J	No. 3 ✓	JOE AND LUZY WHITE	30 x 8	875. <sup>00</sup>
SECT. J	No. 4 ✓	RICHARD AND LORETTA PARRY	46 x 14	900. <sup>00</sup>
Sect. H		GABRIEL Shevill	24 x 10	875. <sup>00</sup>
Sect. A		PAUL Martelle	43 x 12	950. <sup>00</sup>

Good for 1 Year → \$ 42,235  
 AFTER 1 year Add. 10%

# EXHIBIT C

estimate no. 2

Cementy Biel  
Estimate

Churchhill Memorial  
125 County Rt. 23 - Main St.  
Hartford, NY. 12838  
518-632-5435

Ronald, Barrett

1-12-24

Westmore Cementy  
Franklin NY

Please see all Work Cementy  
for 10 years. We use Quick Crety  
Cementy. all stores will be reset  
with setting compound for  
Granite.  
Thank You  
Pless.

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\$ 44,500

# EXHIBIT D



**AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION**  
**Granville Sentinel**

State of New York,

County of, **Washington**

The undersigned is the authorized designee of **Mark Vinciguerra**, the publisher of the **Granville Sentinel**, a **weekly** newspaper published in **Washington** County, New York. I certify that the public notice, a printed copy of which is attached hereto, was printed and published in this newspaper on the following dates:

**December 10, 2020, December 17, 2020, December 24, 2020.**

This newspaper has been designated by the County Clerk of **Washington** County, as a newspaper of record in this county, and as such, is eligible to publish such notices.




\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Eliot T. Putnam

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

Subscribed and sworn to before me,

This 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Signature

CLAUDIA A. SCHUR  
Notary Public - State of New York  
No. 01SC6246466  
Qualified in Rensselaer County  
My Commission Expires August 8, 2023

Notary Public Stamp

**Manchester Newspapers, Inc.**

621 Columbia St. Ext  
Ste 100  
NY 12047

**Invoice**

Date	Invoice #
12/10/2020	31

<b>Bill To</b>
Granville Mettowee Valley Association Ron Barrett [REDACTED]

<b>Customer E-mail</b>
rbarrett12000@yahoo.com

<b>Account #</b>

<b>P.O. No.</b>	<b>Terms</b>

Description	# of Runs	Start Date	Amount
Public Notice- public Notice - grave repair Affidavit	3	12/10/20	252.43 15.00

**Please remit checks payable to:  
Manchester Newspapers, Inc.  
c/o New York Press Service  
621 Columbia St Ext  
Suite 100  
Cohoes, NY 12047**

<b>Total</b>	\$267.43
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**LEGAL NOTICE****LEGAL NOTICE****Legal Notice**

To the last known owner or owners of the following burial lots in the GRANVILLE METTOWEE VALLEY CEMETERY on North Street in the Town of Granville, N. Y. and all persons having or claiming to have interest in said lots as listed below. PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that (1) the monuments located at said burial lots are so badly out of repair or dilapidated as to create a dangerous condition, (2) the person(s) to whom this notice is addressed must repair or remove said monument within 60 days of the third publication of this notice, and (3) if the person(s) to whom this notice is addressed fail to repair or remove said monument within a 60-day period, the Granville Mettowee Valley Cemetery Association may remove or repair said monuments or markers without further notice to the person(s) this notice is addressed. Contact Granville Mettowee Valley Association at 64 Whitney Estates Lane, Granville, NY 12832, Ronald Barrett, President at 518-642-1736.

Sect. A No. 1 Button and Hammond  
Sect. A No. 2 Baker  
Sect. A No. 3 Mary Gravline  
Sect. A No. 4 Ruth Peets  
Sect. A No. 5 James Peets  
Sect. A No. 6 Shaw  
Sect. A No. 7 Mary Peets  
Sect. B No. 1 Richard and Shirley Rozell  
Sect. C No. 1 Robert Maxwell Benes  
Sect. C No. 2 Robert & Gladys Aldridge  
Sect. C No. 3 G. K. Williams  
Sect. C No. 4 George McGillure; Mary Maro  
Sect. C No. 5 John Hale  
Sect. C No. 6 Name Unknown  
Sect. D No. 1 McGlue  
Sect. D No. 2 Frederick Colvin  
Sect. E No. 1 John W. Jones  
Sect. E No. 2 Edwards  
Sect. E No. 3 Jr. Raymond  
Sect. E No. 4 Richard J. Williams  
Sect. E No. 5 Harry Jennings  
Sect. E No. 6 Will Bachlan  
Sect. E No. 7 Buchey  
Sect. E No. 8 Matthew Thomas  
Sect. E No. 9 Pritchard  
Sect. E No. 10 William Martindale  
Sect. E No. 11 C. Humphrey  
Sect. F No. 1 Paul Waldo  
Sect. G No. 1 John and Jennie Lindsay  
Sect. G. No. 2 David Cramer  
Sect. G No. 3 Russell Horth  
Sect. G No. 4 Hanna  
Sect. H. No. 1 Lois Myers  
Sect. H No. 2 Jennie Jones  
Sect. H No. 3 William J. Williams  
Sect. H No. 4 McIntyre  
Sect. H No. 5 Baldwin & Mosher  
Sect. H No. 6 Jane Garrick  
Sect. H No. 7 Hugh G. Williams  
Sect. H No. 8 David Parry  
Sect. H No. 9 R. Humphrey  
Sect. J No. 1 Williams, Ozzie & Opal  
Sect. J No. 2 Hughes, Art  
Sect. J No. 3 Joe and Luzy White  
Sect. J No. 4 Richard and Loretta Parry