

Fountain County Cemetery Commission
Annual Report for the year of our Lord 2015

Vision Statement:

The Fountain County Cemetery Commission aspires to preserve the pioneer cemeteries of Fountain County as a tribute to the early settlers of this area.

Mission Statement:

The Mission of the Fountain County Cemetery Commission is to locate, record, restore, and maintain all pioneer cemeteries of Fountain County under its jurisdiction.

January:

No meeting for this month.

February:

1. Davis Township:
 - a. Maysville Cemetery-Dan Askren, Fountain County attorney informed Mark that they do not want us to go back to this cemetery anymore. This being a State cemetery, Dan is getting with the State for a right-of-way for entering the cemetery.
2. Jackson Township:
 - a. Jackville Cemetery-FCCC needs to ask the County about eminent domain process with this cemetery.
3. Logan Township:
 - a. Hatton Cemetery-FCCC will try to finish this cemetery in time to have a re-dedication ceremony by the end of summer.
4. Troy Township:
 - a. Washburn Cemetery-Gary Cantrell hasn't cuy anything as of yet. He is waiting for FCCC to clear brush so he can get to the bigger trees.

March:

1. Cain Township:
 - a. The county attorney wasn't able to find a trustee for this township, so the County Commissioners will have to appoint one.
 - b. Washburn Cemetery-Gary Cantrell will need help on the big tree in the middle of this cemetery. The fence will need to be moved first, or cut and re-welded.
2. Davis Township:
 - a. Maysville Cemetery-The county attorney will check with the state of Indiana on an easement for this cemetery before FCCC requests eminent domain.
3. Troy Township:
 - a. Carnegie Cemetery-Jasper will go to the soil and water management office to discuss options of access to this cemetery so FCCC can clean it up. The property owner is refusing access at this time.
 - b. Poor Farm Cemetery-Gary Cantrell will clear the trees in this cemetery.

- c. Long/Milk Cemetery-FCCC examined this cemetery. Gary will cut these trees if there is available access. John Grubb is getting an easement installed. There are plenty of volunteers ready to work once there is access.
- d. Sandhill Cemetery-FCCCf will replace a stone that belongs in this cemetery.

April:

- 1. Davis Township:
 - a. Maysville Cemetery-County Attorney is still working with the state on this cemetery.
- 2. Jackson Township:
 - a. Jackville Cemetery-The County Attorney is checking on eminent domain in relation to this cemetery.
- 3. Troy Township:
 - a. Carnegie Cemetery-Jasper wen to the soil and water management office and they claim there is an easement to this cemetery. He will check back next week.
- 4. Van Buren Township:
 - a. Knob Hill Cemetery-Jasper has a volunteer working at this cemetery. He is working 2 to 3 days a week.

May:

- 1. Cain Township:
 - a. Washburn Cemetery-Trees are being cut. Brush will be burned once trees are down.
 - b. Spring Hill Cemetery-Stones are leaning in this cemetery. FCCC will check into this.
- 2. Logan Township:
 - a. Hatton Cemetery-The fence has been removed. Mark is still mowing and needs to stake the boundry lines. Once they are set the sign will be installed.
- 3. Troy Township:
 - a. Oak Grove Cemetery-Larry Weatherford asked is FCCC could make a base for Captain William McFall, Company D, 63rd Indiana Infantry.
 - b. Carnegie Cemetery-The soil and water office claims FCCC can clear the right-of-way. Overpeck owns this property and has given their permission.
 - c. Poor Farm Cemetery-Trees are being cut in this cemetery.
- 4. Van Buren Township:
 - a. Knob Hill Cemetery-Clean up is done and ready for the brush to be burned.

June:

- 1. Cain Township:
 - a. Washburn Cemetery-Trees are being cut, 8 more total. FCCC has a man working on this, but still need to burn at a later date.
- 2. Logan Township:
 - a. Hatton Cemetery-FCCC needs to contact trustee, Bugs Lanham, to turn cemetery over to him for maintenance next year.
- 3. Millcreek Township:
 - a. Hangman's Curve-A path needs to be mowed to this stone.

4. Troy Township:
 - a. Carnegie Cemetery-Jasper has obtained written consent from Mr. Overpeck, the landowner to enter this cemetery. Right-of-way up to 20 feet from the field on the north side.

July:

1. Logan Township:
 - a. Hatton Cemetery-The rain has really hampered things. Community service worker put ruts going back to the cemetery. Cemetery has been turned over to Bugs Lanham. Cemetery has been doused and just needs staked out. Bob Shepherd had 5 stones set up since the last time FCCC was there.
2. Shawnee Township:
 - a. Brown Cemetery-Leak wants to be on board. Dwight Galloway wants to donate more land to re-open this cemetery.
3. Troy Township:
 - a. Heath Cemetery-Carol Freeze was concerned about this cemetery looking bad. Jasper said he'd go check it out.
4. Wabash Township:
 - a. Hibbs Cemetery-Carol Freeze said she'd like to fix some stones in this cemetery and also put up a sign. FCCC has encouraged her to put "Wabash Township" on the sign as there is another Hibbs Cemetery in Fulton Township.

August:

1. Millcreek Township:
 - a. Hangman's Curve-FCCC cleaned all trees on railroad bed and around the monument. William Blankenbeckler will mow two times a year.
 - b. Harveysburg Cemetery-Limbs are dropping on the stones. Jasper has the help to cut some of the trees down. Need to talk to the association of Kingman fraternal about getting this done.
 - c. Washburn Cemetery-Branched are cut. Jackie Covault and Mark are doing the work. This should be done by fall.
2. Troy Township:
 - a. Ward Cemetery-This cemetery has been mowed one time, and still needs a few trees cut down. There is a possibility that this cemetery will be used for a cemetery walk next year.
 - b. Heath Cemetery-This cemetery looks good to Jasper.
 - c. Carnegie Cemetery-The creek at this cemetery needs tile installed.
 - d. Oak Grove Cemetery-Stone base is ready for this cemetery.
3. Wabash Township:
 - a. Hibbs Cemetery-FCCC talked to Carol Freeze about a sign for this cemetery.

September:

1. Cain Township:
 - a. Washburn Cemetery-This cemetery has been worked on twice. Jackie Covault is dragging limbs and brush needs to be burned.
2. Davis Township:

- a. Maysville Cemetery-FCCC still needs to speak with an attorney on getting permission to inspect this cemetery.
- 3. Troy Township:
 - a. Carnegie Cemetery-The county will look into putting in a drain tile.
 - b. Ward Cemetery-This cemetery has been mowed. It still needs limbs picked up and there are four trees yet to be cut.
- 4. Van Buren Township:
 - a. Yerkes Cemetery-This cemetery still needs to be inspected.

October:

- 1. Cain Township:
 - a. Washburn Cemetery-Four more trees have been cut down and the wood hauled away. FCCC is waiting on rain to burn brush. Close to eighty man-hours have been worked on this cemetery. Once complete, the trustee will need to inspect it once a year.
 - b. McBroom Cemetery-This cemetery still needs an access path.
- 2. Davis Township:
 - a. Maysville Cemetery-This cemetery still needs to be inspected. Lawson owns the right-of-way to this cemetery. FCCC will need to contact the attorney for access.
- 3. Jackson Township:
 - a. Jackville Cemetery-This cemetery still needs to be inspected.
- 4. Logan Township:
 - a. Hatton Cemetery-Bob will need help setting two stones up in this cemetery. FCCC checking on a stump grinder, lawnmower and/or brush cutter. Board has approved adding \$300 on top of the already approved \$400 to buy a brush mower. Will look at one at Harbor Freight.
- 5. Troy Township:
 - a. Sand Hill Cemetery-FCCC will need to cut up the trees that have fallen.
- 6. Van Buren Township:
 - a. Yerkes Cemetery-This cemetery still needs to be inspected.

November:

- 1. Cain Township:
 - a. Washburn Cemetery-Tipmont REMC has agreed to cut down 5 trees going to the west.
- 2. Logan Township:
 - a. Hatton Cemetery-Myron was supposed to drop off another base for this cemetery. Need 2 to 3 more weeks to cut the stumps completely down. Have to get boundaries set and measured then give the measurements to Tuggle to take off his taxes.
- 3. Millcreek Township:
 - a. Hangman's Curve Cemetery-FCCC checked on this monument and to see if there is more work to be done.
- 4. Troy Township:
 - a. Long/Milk Cemetery-No word yet on the right-of-way to this cemetery.

December:

1. Cain Township:
 - b. McBroom Cemetery-This cemetery needs one tree cut down to be able to mow the right-of-way.
 - c. Washburn Cemetery-The tres that were down are all cut up and hauled away. There is a lot of brush to be cleaned up and four more trees to be felled. The tree in the center of the fence has had almost all of the limbs cut off. The property owners that live next to the cemetery will be doing the mowing in the spring.
2. Troy Township:
 - d. Long/Milk Cemetery-Jasper will see John Grubb for an update on the right-of-way to this cemetery.