Madbury cemetery trustees arrangement with Goss farm project

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Dear Mark.

At the request of Beth Goss I am enclosing a summary of the arrangement that she and I discussed for avoiding conflicts or discordance between functions at the Goss farm and more solemn events at the town cemetery on the abutting property. Feel free to contact me if you have questions or concerns.

Rod Hutton

Madbury Cemetery Trustees To Madbury Planning Board Mark Avery, chairman

The cemetery trustees, in discussion with Chuck and Beth Goss, and after raising concerns with them and the planning board about the possibility that graveside or other solemn services in the cemetery could conflict with more celebratory events on the adjacent property which the Gosses propose to use for paid functions, agreed that the best way to keep all involved apprised of upcoming events would be for the trustees to notify the Gosses of a scheduled event by email or phone. Adjustments could then be made to avoid awkwardness or offense.

The trustees wish to note that the likelihood of a conflict is very small; there are typically only one or two services per year in the cemetery grounds, and they last for half an hour or less. Also, the fact that events may coincide does not presuppose that they would be incompatible, only that extra care should be taken to keep noise levels and movement of vehicles to a minimum during the time that the cemetery is in use for solemn purposes.

Also, while the trustees offer this procedure as a means to the end described above, the trustees are not bound by terms or conditions set forth in contracts or agreements between the Planning Board and the Gosses, but will make a good-faith effort to coordinate events by maintaining a line of communication.

Roderic Hutton Bill Leslie Sandy O'Neill cemetery trustees