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- Judith Cook who is the Heritage Planner for the Heritage Branch, Ministry of Forests,
 Lands and Natural Resources told me that the BC Registrar expects formal recognition of
 Granite Creek to be included on the Canadian Register of Historic Places as early as the
 summer. The Statement of Significance will be made publicly available at
 www.historicplaces.ca.
- Bob put together a file of all the photos we currently have of Coomes' cabin so that in the future, if we want to rebuild it, we would have photos for reference.
- Bob and I went up to the Cemetery recently and swept off all the headstones. They get covered with pine needles and branches over the winter. Some of the headstones will need to be cleaned this year. This involves bringing in a bucket of soapy water (use liquid dish soap), some clean water for rinsing and towels for drying. The headstones can be scrubbed with a soft brush (ie: toothbrush) and then rinsed afterward. I did this to clean the military headstone in 2012 and it came up beautifully! See before and after photos I brought along. Anyone who might like to clean a headstone can go up when it is convenient and choose one that looks in need of cleaning. It is a big job, so any help will be greatly appreciated!!!
- Bob and I dismantled some fire pits which had been recently used in the town site.
- The article on Catherine-Dunn-Parker-Austin (Granite Creek Prospector) is completed. Ole will post it on the website when he gets a chance. Next on the agenda is Jessie Olding-Hunter. If anyone would like to research and write an article about someone from Granite (male or female) or anything else of interest, please do so. The more we have, the better the website will be.