

Fieldwork in April 2025

Letter to Landowner (Rev)

The four of us, which include Bob in his ATV, Peter, Daniel, and me, will spend time on your property doing the following five tasks.

1. *We will search for any fragments that were cleaved from the slab of graywacke sandstone, which formed the rectangular Runestone. It is likely that 4-5 pieces are located somewhere. Probably near the Indian village site where I believed the Runestone was made.*

When the field was cleared of the rocks and boulders, they were pushed down the side of the 50-foot-high embankment that goes down to the marshland. I remember seeing the embankment was covered with rocks and boulders.

Because we are senior citizens, we may not be able to do a thorough search. Others that are more agile may have to search for the Runestone graywacke fragments and possible rocks and boulders with chisel marks.

Graywacke is not commonly found in this part of Minnesota; the pieces should be easy to spot with their straight cleaved edges and a different color than the typical glacial-worn granite boulders. The “Runestone Park Visitor Center” has a slab of graywacke on display. If any graywacke fragments are found, we can take them to the nearby Visitor Center that has a full-size replica of the KRS to see if the piece fits.

Google: **Kensington Runestone 3D**



Slab of Graywacke Sandstone

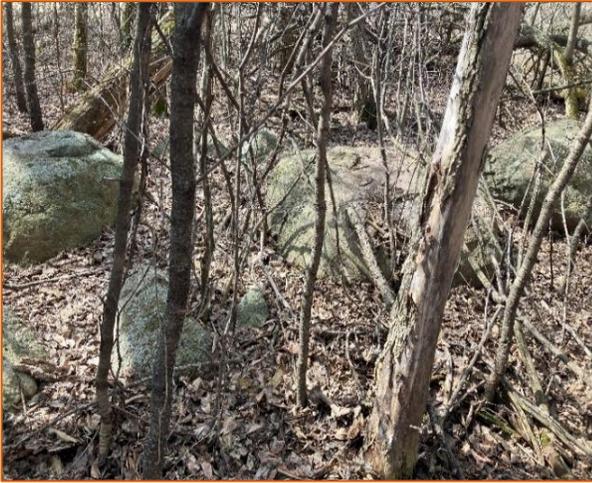
2. *Record the GPS coordinates of the cluster of boulders that are about 100 feet north of the burial site and take photos.*
3. *Locate the four GPS coordinates of the burial site I got from the four different sources and mark with stakes and florescent ground paint.*
4. *Using probing rods, we start from the center of the four GPS coordinates and working out to find a Row of Boulders.*
5. *If a Row of Boulders is discovered, expose several and take photos. This would be part of the rectangle outline of a medieval European burial.*

Results of April 2025 Fieldwork:

- **No Graywacke Sandstone were found.**
- **No Boulders with chisel marks were found.**
- **No “Row of Boulders” were found.**
- **No GPS coordinators taken of Boulders (**TO MANY**)**
- **Hundreds of Boulders and Boulder Clusters were found in the Woods!! See Essay:**
Why are So Many Boulders Found in the Woods?



The Indian Village Site, from the top of the fifty-foot embankment overlooking the marshland.



Some of the many large boulders that were discovered deep in the woods.



The Burial Site, looking east. The village site is beyond the trees in the distance. The woods where the boulders were discovered are on the left.



Peter & Daniel are pushing probing rods to trying find “Boulders in a Row.”



The vegetation is “**Extremely Dense**”. Especially during the fall when it is about 3 feet high. The field has not plowed in years.

This is private property and posted "No Trespassing." The landowner utilizes their property for hunting and firearm activities. Permission must be obtained each time you enter the property.