Tuftonboro Cemetery Trustees Meeting Minutes June 2, 2020

The meeting was promptly called to order at 5:30 PM at the Tuftonboro Town House since the Town Offices were not available for meetings due to COVID-19. In attendance with social distancing: Chairperson Susan Weeks, Trustees Carol Bush and Guy Pike, and Sexton Greg Buck.

The minutes of the May 5, 2020 meeting were read and approved.

A request from Jean Evans was discussed. She has inquired about burial of her husband's ashes and placing a monument at the Field Jones Cemetery since he lived in the house across the street for many years. The front corner may be the only open spot, and it was suggested that the trustees meet with her at the cemetery to discuss the situation.

Sexton Greg Buck made 5 large copies of the updated Town Hall Cemetery map for us. He noted that the trash can has not been placed at the cemetery, and he will contact Jack Parsons to ask that it be put out. Greg glued the loose finials on the new gates and will attach copies of our rules and regulations. Greg will also work on getting the older gates to fully close prior to winter. Greg announced that the Tomb family has scheduled a burial for July 5th. His invoice in the amount of \$180 was approved for payment.

The Antonucci's have requested to switch to a full plot from a cremation plot. Sue suggested plot F37. Carl Hansen thinks that he owns plots D55 – 58 and wants to turn in 3 of his plots. He needs confirmation of which plot his son Michael is buried in. Greg and Sue will check the records and markers, and they will also check to be sure that Jeri Anderson's son is buried in E41. She originally purchased E41 – 44 but the town revoked E42,43 and 44 for non-payment.

The Town Hall Cemetery shrubs and plantings look good, but there are several large patches of dead grass that may have been over fertilized. Guy met with Mark Eldridge to discuss the areas in need of clean-up. He noted that there is an over-grown shrub covering Richard Quinby's grave. Guy will also get a quote from Andy Carpenter for removing the large tree at the Stephens/Bean Cemetery on Dr. Lovett's property.

Skip Cope recommends filling the ruts at the French Cemetery prior to hydro-seeding. Sue will speak to Steve Hunter about bringing in some fill. Sue visited the Ham Cemetery and reports that it looks good and ready for stone repairs. Jess Davis is currently scheduled to repair the stones in the cemetery at Camp Sentinel. Jake Brooks is scheduled to do tree work at the Dame Cemetery and the Grant Cemetery in the next week or two.

Carol sent a registered letter to the Litwhiler Family in New York with our form letter asking for permission to cut trees at the Bean Cemetery on Tibbetts Road. A family member called Sue to discuss the situation, and the family will wait on granting permission until they are here in July.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 5:30 PM. The location will be at the Town House again unless the Town Offices have reopened by then for meetings. Public attendance and input are encouraged. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Submitted by Carol Bush, Secretary, Tuftonboro Cemetery Trustees