Tuftonboro Cemetery Trustees Meeting Minutes December 7, 2021

The meeting was promptly called to order at 5:00 PM at the Tuftonboro Town Offices.

In attendance: Trustees Susan Weeks (chairperson), trustee Guy Pike, trustee Carol Bush and Skip Cope.

The minutes of the November 2nd, 2021 meeting were read and approved with several corrections.

Skip Cope from Blue Ridge Landscaping in Tuftonboro submitted a proposal in person in the amount of \$27,830 for 2022 turf renovations at the Town Hall cemetery which will include aeration, seed and fertilizer applications, organic composting and hydoseeding of damaged areas. The trustees voted to approve this expenditure with a \$10,000 deposit made this year and a second deposit of \$3,915 made in January 2022. The trustees felt that it was important to hire a local company that can respond immediately to our needs such as lawn treatments that require application just before it rains. The trustees reviewed and rejected a proposal from TruGreen in Londonderry, NH.

The trustees voted to approve payment in the amount of \$1,615 to Mark Eldridge for maintenance work in 23 of our old cemeteries.

The trustees voted to accept 2 proposals from Jake Brooks for tree work at the Haley and Whitney-Glidden cemeteries. His maximum price for the Haley cemetery is \$2,400 to be paid upon completion and \$6,000 at the Whitney-Glidden cemetery with a \$1,200 deposit to be paid this month.

Sue Weeks was contacted by Ivy Vann from MRI, the company that is working with the planning board to update the town's master plan. Sue has provided information about our cemeteries to be included in the 2022 master plan. She noted that only 10 of our old cemeteries have been declared abandoned and that we should work on getting more added to this list in 2022. Sue also said that we should discuss perpetual care issues and possible rules and regulation changes in 2022.

Guy Pike has closed the gates at the Town Hall cemetery for the winter.

The next meeting of the cemetery trustees will be Tuesday, January 4th, 2022 at 5:00 PM at the Tuftonboro Town Offices. Public attendance and input are encouraged. The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 PM.

Submitted by Carol Bush, Secretary, Tuftonboro Cemetery Trustees