Tuftonboro Cemetery Trustees Meeting Minutes October 6, 2020

The meeting was promptly called to order at 5:00 PM at the Tuftonboro Town Offices. In attendance: Chairperson Susan Weeks, Trustees Carol Bush and Guy Pike and Sexton Greg Buck.

The minutes of the September 1, 2020 meeting were read and unanimously approved.

Sexton Greg Buck's invoice for \$50 was approved. A request has been received to locate Nancy Currell's grave, and Greg indicated that he may need to probe to determine the exact location.

Applications have been received for Burial Permits for Ruth and Ray Belding, Jr. of Tuftonboro. David Newton and Thomas Chiappisi have requested to sell back their burial plots to the town.

Caretaker Mark Eldridge's invoice for \$2,975 for cemetery maintenance work was approved. Guy Pike will check with him regarding his schedule for fall clean-ups.

Guy Pike and Sue Weeks installed corner markers for Doug Evan's plot at the Jones Cemetery, and Jean Evans will be billed for the cost of the markers in the amount of \$64.45. Discussion followed about obtaining legal counsel from Atty. Mark Puffer regarding our authority, if any, to provide a deed, although we do manage the cemetery and have the authority to permit burials.

We have not received a quote from Andy Carpenter for the tree work needed at the cemetery behind the Lovett's house on Sodom Road. Guy Pike will speak with Dr. Lovett who has received a quote from someone else. The trustees authorized the expenditure of up to \$4,000 for tree removal work at the Stevens Cemetery on the Lovett property. Dr. Lovett has offered to pay for some of the work.

Sue Weeks noted that Diane Falcey made the requested corrections to the budget printout.

Sue Weeks met with Jake Brooks regarding tree work at the Bean Cemetery on Tibbetts Road. The budgeted work is not to exceed \$2,000 which should be sufficient to complete the job.

Jessica Davis has finished her work on headstone repairs at the Ham, Edgerly Blake and Edward Grant Cemeteries. Sue Weeks will email her since we have not received an invoice for the work.

Guy Pike thanked Jeff of Mountainside Landscaping for donating welding repairs to the town gates.

Carol Bush reported that Nancy Black of the DAR is initiating a project for their members to "adopt" a Revolutionary War patriot's grave. We may receive a proposal from her with specifics.

The next meeting of the Cemetery Trustees will be Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at 5:00 PM at the Tuftonboro Town Offices. Public attendance and input are encouraged. The meeting was adjourned at 5:33 PM.

Submitted by Carol Bush, Secretary, Tuftonboro Cemetery Trustees