

Tuftonboro Cemetery Trustees  
Meeting Minutes  
January 5, 2021

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

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

The Trustees reviewed a draft of our 2020 Annual Town Report which will be submitted this month following approval of several changes.

Sue Weeks discussed recent vandalism in the Town Hall Cemetery, and she has notified the police. She is waiting to hear back from them with suggestions on how to monitor cemetery activity. The descendants of the vandalized plot have chosen to remain anonymous and will not be filing charges at this time.

Sue Weeks and Guy Pike met with the Budget Committee to present our 2021 budget. After some discussion, our budget was approved. The committee members were appreciative that we did not request an increase over last year.

We have received a \$100 check from Marilyn Tomb for the burial of Lavina Tomb's cremated remains.

Mark Eldridge's fees for his maintenance work were discussed, and it was noted that his invoices often included not only maintenance work inside the cemeteries but also work to clear and maintain access paths to them from the road.

Sue Weeks said that the Thomas Cemetery on Tuftonboro Neck is in need of headstone repairs. Carol Bush offered to inspect the stones in order to estimate the number needing work. We anticipate hiring Jessica Davis to do the repairs this summer.

Sue Weeks received communication from town Attorney Mark Puffer of PretiFlaherty in Concord regarding management of our old "abandoned" cemeteries. He indicated that we could manage them the same way we manage our Town Hall Cemetery and subject to the same rules and regulations. He said that we could lay out plots and convey burial rights using the same fee structure.

The next meeting of the Cemetery Trustees will be Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at 5:00 PM at the Tuftonboro Town Offices. Public attendance and input are encouraged.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 PM.

Submitted by Carol Bush, Secretary, Tuftonboro Cemetery Trustees