

Hopkinton Cemetery Trustees
Nullus Vivere Relinquit
Meeting of May 22, 2020
Minutes

Present: Chair Lynn Clark, Gayle Kimball, and Sexton Joe Tristaino

Chair Clark called the Zoom meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

The Minutes of the April 17, 2020 meeting were approved as circulated.

Sexton Tristaino reported that the American flags for placement on the graves of veterans are all in place and that he is working closing with the volunteers from the American Legion on this project. He further reported that he and the landowner (B. Holmes) have agreed on a plan for the repair of the gates on the right of way leading to the Stumpfield Cemetery. He also will be purchasing new watering cans for the Contoocook Cemetery. There was additional discussion about the apparent vandalism to Stumpfield Cemetery monuments. He was authorized to remove the gates to see if this helps solve the issue.

The final Topographix service agreement for the survey and draft of the new section of the Old Hopkinton Cemetery and the New Hopkinton Cemetery was approved.

Chair Clark reported that the American Association for State and Local History (AASLH) has announced that the Hopkinton Historical Society is the recipient of an Award of Excellence for the 2019 Putney Hill Cemetery Walk. The AASLH Leadership in History Awards, now in its 75th year, is the most prestigious recognition for achievement in the preservation and interpretation of state and local history. Kudos to all, and especially to Lynn!

Discussion on changes to the Right to Bury application was tabled until the next meeting to avail ourselves of Trustee Hampe's expertise.

There have been 3 sales this year: 2 plots, 1 lot with an application of a lot pending. 3 internments and 10 cremations are waiting for burial.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 18, at 10:00 a.m. and tentatively to be held in the Contoocook Cemetery to view the changes that have been made to the memorial garden.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle Kimball