Hopkinton Cemetery Trustees Nullus Vivere Relinquit Meeting of July 17, 2020 Minutes

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

Chair Clark called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. in the New Hopkinton Cemetery.

The Minutes of the June 18, 2020 meeting were approved as circulated.

Sexton Tristaino reported that there have been no sales of plots or lots. He also continues with his routine maintenance as well as deferred maintenance tasks such as stump removal, bush trimming, and monument straightening. He presented some ideas for dealing with the extensive asphalt break-up and upheaval to the Contoocook Cemetery roadway along the back tree line. The Old Hopkinton Main gate has been temporarily re-opened because of construction on Lilac Lane.

There was a review of the updated Application for Right to Bury agreement which was approved as circulated.

The Select Board will be asked to approve a process by which an application for a Right to Bury can be issued on a temporary basis between Select Board meetings in cases of family circumstances.

The unmarked graves whose locations were ascertained by ground penetrating radar were visited. There was discussion about consulting with an arborist about the large trees in the Old Hopkinton and Contoocook Village Cemeteries that need attention before they cause damage.

It was agreed not to proceed with the gravestone cleaning and repair workshop with Jonathan Appell that was tentatively to be held in September.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle Kimball