Hopkinton Cemetery Trustees Nullus Vivere Relinquit Meeting of April 21, 2022

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

Lynn Clark called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. at Hopkinton Town Hall.

The Minutes of the March 27 meeting were approved as circulated.

Sexton Tristaino reported that he attended a meeting with volunteers from the American Legion about the placement of American flags on veteran burial plots. Trustee Kimball also attended. The Sexton has blown up copies of the Topagraphix maps for Hopkinton and New Hopkinton cemeteries for volunteers to use in identifying veteran sites. Also, the application for a right to bury will be updated to make room for a Veteran to be identified.

Ken Soucy and his Pinnacle Landscaping crew has begun spring clean-up, starting at the Old and New Hopkinton cemeteries. There is also a volunteer who has been working in the Old Hopkinton Cemetery.

Chair Clark will contact Topagraphix for a quote on a map for the active sections of the Contoocook Village Cemetery.

There was a brief discussion about the residency requirements for the purchase of a right to bury. It was suggested that we follow the criteria of "6 month and a day."

The Town Administrator was contacted by a resident with concerns about clean up around an individual grave site. Chair Clark will follow up with the resident.

There was a longer discussion about the process for recording and returning the Right to Bury paperwork to the purchaser.

Discussion of the plan for memorial trees and will be discussed at a future meeting.

The May 19 meeting will be held at the Contoocook Village Cemetery weather permitting, in part to continue the discussion of repair or replace the storage shed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle Kimball Secretary