Minutes of Tamworth Trustees of Cemeteries 5 PM May 20, 2014 At Cook Memorial Library

Members Present: Mark Albee, John Wheeler and John Roberts Also present: T.J. Eldridge, David Haskell

- 1) Minutes of the 4/22/14 meetings were approved.
- 2) Workers Compensation Insurance requirements: TJ wanted to know if there was any way his father could volunteer to assist maintaining the cemeteries TJ is responsible for, without having to get WC insurance. He was told there was no way around it to our knowledge. John R raised the question of general liability insurance. The Town requires \$1 million coverage. John R had a copy of TJ's policy indicating \$500,000 per incident, \$1 million combined. There was discussion as to what the definition of \$1 million coverage meant. TJ is to find out what it would cost him to get the \$1 million per incident coverage and the Board is to look into the common understanding of \$1 million coverage as required in the contract specifications.
- 3) Dave Haskell, as a member of the Veterans' Memorial Committee, reported on their effort to get funding from The Tamworth Foundation, for providing irrigation water to the Memorial. The Foundation will provide \$4300 grant if it can be through a 501(C)(3) group. The Lakes Water Company will provide pipe and trenching through the road right of way, off the pavement, from the river to UUFES basement, where the line would connect to the existing irrigation system. A pump will be located at the river, powered from the PSNH circuit for lighting the flag pole. David is planning to go to the Selectmen for permission to use the road right of way. The trustees were not willing to commit to paying for future repairs or parts replacements, but are willing to pay the additional electric costs. David gave the trustees copies of proposed rules for the memorial.
- 4) Memorial Day preparations. Riverside cemetery has not been mowed, but Mark has been in touch with Tracie and expects it to be ready. Some items including an azalea plant at Fowlers Mill cemetery have been reported missing. Mark has been in touch with the contractor who doesn't think they did it, but cannot be sure. We feel is probably due to the new contractor having trouble interpreting the general guidelines for removal of old decorations.
- 5) The Riverside tree cutting and removal and the Pease Hill tree cutting has been done.
- 6) The Chocorua Cemetery monuments repair project was successful with about 12 people, including some new faces. We agreed Jessie should receive an honorarium for her services.
- 7) Rules and Regulations: Copies of Moultonborough's and Hopkinton's extensive regulations, and Manchester's brief regulations were previously handed out. Members are to review and note language or ideas that should be included in Tamworth regulations and to give John W their ideas by June 9.
- 8) Green Burials. We are interested in having a section of the cemeteries set aside for green burials. This is to be discussed when preparing rules and regulations for the cemeteries.
- 9) The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, June 24, 2014 at 5 PM at the Library.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, John B. Wheeler