

Minutes of the
Tamworth Trustees of Cemeteries
5:30 PM January 15, 2019
At Cook Memorial Library

Members Present: Mark Albee and John Wheeler

Member absent: John Roberts

1. The minutes of 12/11/18 meeting were approved.
2. The annual report as drafted by Mark and typed by John was approved for submission.
3. John reported that the Budget Committee had recommended cutting the gravestone repair account from \$2000 to \$500 as we had not used this account yet and we could charge the individual perpetual care account from the Trustees of Trust funds.
4. NHMA legal department answered an inquiry from John re the expenditure of Town funds for cemeteries with unknown ownership status. The answer was:
 - a. Where the town's records of ownership or responsibility for the ten sites is in question, then using RSA 289:19 - 21 to declare those burial grounds abandoned would be the preferred route to follow. Upon completion of the declaration of abandonment process the ten sites would then become municipal cemeteries. As provided in RSA 289:4 the town would then be obligated to provide sufficient funds for the maintenance of these newly designated public cemeteries.
 - b. We decided to go this route sometime during the year.
5. Mark brought up several items to be considered for action this year. They will be added to the outstanding items list.
6. The next meeting will be 3/26/19 at 5:30 at Cook Library.
7. The meeting adjourned at 5:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
John B. Wheeler

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