TOWN OF BENNINGTON CEMETERY TRUSTEES Minutes of the Meeting- August 8, 2023 Draft

Present Robert Christian, Chairman Karen Belcher

Chairman Christian called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The minutes of the July 11, 2023 meeting were reviewed and accepted with a minor correction.

The terms of the Lizzy Holt trust were discussed. It is not clear if the road mentioned has been put in but there is a road that is in need of work. The trust was started in 1945, but was changed to a new trust company in 2014. The records that were obtained were beginning in 2014. A meeting should be held with the Trustees of the Trust Funds. If the Cemetery Trustees are able to do road repair in Evergreen Cemetery they will ask if the Highway Department is able to do the work.

It was noted that Mr. Giffin has moved away from the area. He has given the Cemetery Trustees some names of people that may be able to do the work to replace fencing at Sunnyside Cemetery. Rob will reach out to them and ask for quotes for the fencing replacement.

The new billing for mowing at the cemeteries has been received and signed for. It will be paid from the budget line for mowing and maintenance. It was noted that there will be a bill coming for stonework. A lot was sold to Brenda Paradise. The Trustees have received an inquiry as to if there is room left in a lot for a burial. As the person did not know the name attached to the lot or the lot number, information can not be obtained at this time.

In other business, the proposed Cemetery Rules and Regulations have been forwarded to the Selectmen for review and feedback.

Rob will contact local tree companies and check the cemeteries for possible tree work needed. There is a tree in the front of Evergreen Cemetery that possibly needs attention as well as some stumps that could be taken care of.

As there was no other business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Debra Belcher Cemetery Trustee Recording Secretary