

**Board of Selectmen  
Special Meeting  
March 23, 2021 — 5:00 PM  
TELECONFERENCE  
MINUTES**

**Members Present:** First Selectman Kevin Cwikla, Selectmen Robin Chesmer and Betsy Petrie-McComber  
**Others Present:** Bernard Dennler (Administrative Assistant/Teleconference Host); Keith Laporte and Tom Meyer (Cemetery Commission)

**1.0 Call to Order**

K. Cwikla called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

**2.0 Discuss and act upon an award for the 2021-2022 Cemetery Mowing Contract**

T. Meyer and K. Laporte presented regarding the needs of the town cemeteries. K. Cwikla and B. Petrie spoke about ongoing issues at the cemeteries and the need for the cemeteries to be treated with respect. The Selectmen reviewed the bids. The two low bids did not note cemetery mowing experience. The third and fourth lowest bids did both note cemetery mowing experience. The Selectmen agreed to prioritize cemetery experience given the complexities of maintaining the historical cemeteries. R. Chesmer asked that the Director of Public Works and Facilities review the bids and check into references. B. Dennler said the Board of Finance is looking for a dollar amount as soon as possible but definitely prior to April 6. The Selectmen agreed the dollar amount would likely be between \$40,000 and \$45,000 and to make the bid award after the bids could be further reviewed for a recommendation.

**NO ACTION TAKEN**

**3.0 Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 5:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bernard W. Dennler III  
Administrative Assistant