Town of Whitingham
Cemetery Commission

MINUTES OF October 22, 2026

These Minutes will be accepted into the public record (with any corrections noted) at a future meeting of the Whitingham Cemetery Commission.

Attendees: Brad Lackey, Madeline Klein, & Katherine MacLean

Brad called meeting to order at 6 p.m.

No Visitors.

Katherine will send last meeting's minutes to Madeline, and the committee will vote to approve the minutes at the next meeting.

Review mowing request for proposals

The committee compared and contrasted the version that Brad drafted and emailed to the committee earlier in the week, with a version Madeline developed based on Brad's draft.

We discussed details of language for mowing, trimming, timing of service, and debris removal, and settled on final edits for approval. Katherine will write the final draft to submit and be posted by Friday, October 30th.

Katherine made a motion to accept the revised version of the mowing request for proposals as discussed. Brad seconded the motion. All in favor.

Cemetery Administration

Madeline made a note that some of the bushes that families have planted are growing beyond the town's size restrictions. She cut back a large hydrangea bush that was blocking some gravesites in a family plot in Jacksonville Cemetery and that may have caused one headstone to fall over. She will attempt to reach and notify the family.

Katherine noted that it is already possible for individuals to request green burials in existing town cemeteries, based on current rules and regulations. Committee discussed the pros and cons of such burials, to be discussed further at a later time.

Brad and Madeline informed Katherine of the Dec 15th deadline for submitting a yearly report to be included in the report for Town Meeting Day.

Brad made a motion to adjourn at 6:49 p.m., Madeline seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Brad Lackey, Madeline Klein & Katherine MacLean