Chestnut Hill Community Cemetery Association (CHCCA) Minutes of Annual Meeting June 16, 2019

The first annual meeting of CHCCA was called to order at 9:30 am, by Larry Ward, Chair. Copies of the Bylaws, Cemetery Policies, the initial CHCCA Financial Report, and the minutes of the first Board of Directors Meeting, June 14, 2019 were distributed to the attendees. Attendees were asked to confirm that they had signed in and provide contact information at the table at the door. There were 51 people in attendance and all members of the board of directors.

Larry Ward went over the history of the formation of the CHCCA and the election of the Board of Directors at the CHUMC Conference as required by the Western UMC Conference in order for the cemetery to remain open for burials. With the assistance of Janet Ward, Secretary and Cemetery Reservations Chair, key points of the bylaws and policies were covered. Questions from the attendees were addressed. Discussion was extensive.

A group of attendees moved to reject the bylaws and directors. It was explained that the bylaws and director election was following procedures required by the Western Conference of the UMC and the North Carolina Community Foundation which holds an endowment for the Chestnut Hill Community Church and the Chestnut Hill Community Cemetery Association. In order for the cemetery to remain open for burials and to receive grants from the endowment, the bylaws must remain in place for the time being and members of the former Chestnut Hill United Methodist Church, the successor church Chestnut Hill Community Church, or family members of no more than 2 degree separation are to make up the majority of the board until 2025. The bylaws can be amended according to the rules therein beginning at the next annual meeting.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:40 am.

Submitted by,

Janet Ward, Secretary