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Notice: Unauthorized Mowing at Town Cemetery Under Investigation

The Town of Dresden regrets to inform residents of an incident involving unauthorized mowing at the town cemetery. One or more unknown parties entered the cemetery grounds and conducted unauthorized mowing, resulting in visible and damaging consequences.

A single mower-wide swath was scalped far below an appropriate mowing height, turning that strip of lawn into a large brown patch. Several rocks were also found in the area, possibly dislodged or thrown during the mowing. This highlights the potential dangers of unauthorized maintenance — both to equipment and to the safety of others nearby.

This act was not conducted by any town-authorized contractor. In light of recent disruptions — including the public discussion at the town meeting and the absence of an awarded maintenance contract — we hope this was a misguided but well-intentioned act by someone who believed the cemetery was not being cared for.

The Town of Dresden takes the care and appearance of the cemetery very seriously. We are actively investigating this incident. If you have any information regarding this activity, please contact the Town Supervisor or local law enforcement.

While we understand that some residents may wish to help when they believe something is being overlooked, any maintenance or activity involving town property must be coordinated through the appropriate town officials. This ensures safety, accountability, and proper care of public spaces.

We appreciate the community's cooperation as we work to maintain our public spaces with respect and safety for all.

Charles Tall
Town Supervisor