

**MEETING MINUTES** - Norwich Cemetery Commission

April 21, 2026 10:15 a.m.

**Members Present:** Bob Bristol, Dan Goulet, Alix Manny, and Ellen Terie

**Members attending remotely:** Bob Pitiger

1. Meeting started at 10:15
2. Goulet has not been able to communicate with Scooter Hardy r.e. New Boston Rd cemetery trees. He'll continue to reach out.
3. Terie submitted grant applications of \$1000 to the Lions Club towards additional tree work and of \$690 to the Norwich Women's Club toward purchasing more gravestone cleaning supplies. We await responses.
4. The estimate from Cemetery Solutions for the mowing and upkeep of Hillside Cemetery was submitted. A motion was made to accept it and approved unanimously.
5. A discussion was held concerning the wording for the new signs for Hillside and Union Village cemeteries and the estimate to install them. A motion was made and approved unanimously to go forward with the signs and the estimate.
6. The discussion concerning Natural Burials and where to allow them continued. Terie attended a seminar and shared the information from that session. She will also work on finding the relevant statutes for the state of Vermont so we can reference them in our Rules and Regulations.
7. We discussed the ongoing issue with the broken water lines to Hillside Cemetery. The cost to repair would be exorbitant. A motion was made and the vote was unanimous to cap the line and forgo having water flow at Hillside. Goulet will work with the Water Department.
8. We discussed resident versus non-resident purchasing of cemetery lots. Since the drainage problem has been solved in the lower section of Hillside we no longer need to restrict non-residents. We'll allow both to purchase lots and keep track of the numbers.
9. Manny gave an update concerning inquiries regarding burials in existing plots, a query about a lot purchase, a request to donate and two inquiries from people looking to find the burial site of a relative. Manny and Bristol will work on the research for these.
10. Motion was made and the meeting was adjourned at 11:15.

Respectfully Submitted by Alix Manny