



EVERGREEN CEMETERY
Village of South Amherst

Wednesday, May 8th, 2024

Meeting called to order at 5.56 p.m. by Chairperson, Rosemary Leshinski

Roll Call: Board members: Rosemary Leshinski Lawrence Verga, Chris Gallagher

Clerk: Natalie lafolla

Cemetery Sexton: David Leshinski

Liaison: Mr. Michael Sangiacomo

Visitors: Kevin Hipp, Jeannie Maschari

Current Agenda Approval: Chris Gallagher request an addition - Memorial Day Celebration under new business. Larry Verga made a motion to approve agenda with addition, seconded by Rosemary Leshinski with all in favor.

Approval Minutes from 4/10, 2024. Minutes e-mailed to board. Motion to approve minutes made by Larry Verga with second by Rosemary Leshinski. All in favor voted by Larry Verga and Rosemary Leshinski, Chris Gallagher abstained, as she had not yet read them.

Visitors: Mr. Kevin Hipp, Franklin Monument

Mr. Hipp gave a presentation on Columbarium's that his company offers. There would be no set up fee or cost to place one in Evergreen Cemetery. Pricing per niche would be negotiable, depending on size of columbarium. Mr. Hipp was able to answer many questions regarding contract and installation. Board members requested further information and discussion.

Columbarium Discussion: I'm Kevin hip from Franklin monument. We're out of Norwalk. We've served this area for over 20 years. We have purchased Norwalk monument as well, so they had been here over 100 years and serving this area. So as time has gone along, cremation has become quite popular. And so the use of land has also been a concern throughout the United States as to where we're going to put all full body burials. Cremation has crept up there. So what do you do with cremations? People sometimes will buy a lot and still put them in the ground and buy a monument. But they don't take up that much space. Our industry has developed columbariums, which is like a public mausoleum. Back in the 40s and 50s. Those were popular to have in a cemetery and they would handle hundreds of full body burials in a mausoleum. So today, that's not so much the thing to do, but columbariums are. So we've developed a program which some cemeteries have taken advantage of. Others, find themselves flush with cash, and so they will buy a columbarium and do the same idea that we are presenting today. So what I'm going to present to you today is the fact that we Franklin monument would provide that columbarium to your cemetery at no cost to you. So how can that happen? So we own the rights to the columbarium. We own the rights to future columbariums that would be developed within the cemetery. That's if you will "the catch" to the program. So we come in upon your acknowledgement of where the planning has developed and the columbarium is going to go into a certain area. So between everybody that is designed,

developed, and then we'll do the excavating, we'll bring the columbarium in and set it up. And so in your cemetery since it is a smaller one, we may be looking at something like this **(addendum 1)** . So this has been going on for a couple of years that we've been in discussions. And so we're thinking initially, maybe a tower idea. Okay, so this handles 12 on that side. So that could handle 12 individuals, or it could handle 24 people so that might be 12 couples would buy this that's on this side. It could also be done this way on the other side. So this could be doubled up on the back as well. So each one is 12 by 12 by 12. So it's 12 wide 12 high to 12 inches each niche. So this breaks down into a niche. So a family with by what's referred to as a niche. So there's two niches here. Each one has two doors, the outside door is the one that gets the lettering. So there's all kinds of different designs of columbariums. There can be locks. Each one of these could have a lock with a key. These are all spring loaded. And he really need to know how to get into him. And then the door behind it would be sealed shut after the remains are put in epoxy. this would be temporarily sealed. For the first person Okay, the first person is in there, okay? And then after the second person gets in, then its completely sealed. We have versions that have a lock over here that has a key to it as well. that would be done by us. So through the process. These would get sold individually through your normal way of selling a lot. So if somebody comes into this building to buy that, or if they call somebody on a phone or however that's done today, that's how it would continue. That way you keep your records straight. So this is they get deeded. This is from one of our other cemeteries so this has a date to it. So you get up a building number a side number, and then a niche number. So then somebody is going to send us some information, whether it's the family or if it's the cemetery that's to be determined. So then all the information that's going to go on the door is going to be turned into a drawing. So somebody signs off on that drawing seeing the dates and the spelling's are correct. And we then come out, make a rubber stencil and do it right in place at the cemetery. take the door off and sandblast that. So, if two people are in this one has passed away, their final date obviously would go on there, and now the second person is still living. We would then come back out when we're notified to put that final date on. There wouldn't be a cost to that the family, not to your organization. So there's a cost to each niche obviously, cost to perpetual care, or however you state that to your families and putting them into the niche. So all that is collected to the association or your cemetery. Is this an association board? Committee. It's a cemetery board trustees. Okay. So whoever handles the billing and so on would build that to maybe the funeral home. I think the funeral homes generally pay for a lot if there isn't one or an opening and closing fee, excavating fees and so on generally come from a funeral home to the board. So at that point, you know you've sold one you would then send a check on to us. Gray is, the most economical color to use. So that's why you see a lot of columbariums done in grave black doors. It's a nice look and it's pretty. So there's no cost to the village. You allow us to come in and put the footers in so we pay for the concrete. We pay for the excavating. We do the work. We build the building and then bring it in on a crane. The catch is as I had mentioned at the beginning, when it's time to build another one, it's all automatically come into my company,

Financial reports:

Financial Reports sent in e-mail and hard copies distributed to members. Motion made by Rosemary Leshinski and seconded by Larry Verga that financial reports received, with all in favor.

Old Business:

Revision of lot pricing: Jeannie Maschari reported that the increased pricing ordinance will go before the council for two more readings on May 13th and again on May 28 to be voted on by village council members.

Cemetery Mapping: Larence Verga continues to update the cemetery mapping.

Drainage in Sec. B. and L. No new information available currently.

New Business:

Tree Removal from Memorial Garden: Two bids have been received for tree removal from Bob's Tree Service and Lockes Go Green. Cemetery Sexton to follow up with Bob's Tree Service for additional work and cost requested by board members. **(addendum: 2 & 3)**

Clerk Updates: Four funerals, working with Lockes Go Green, memorial studios and families regarding footer installation. Footers to be installed May 9th. The clerk received a request for a small flat memorial stone be placed in front of monument where a cremation will be interned. This has been acceptable in the past. Clerk to review size and follow up with request. Another request for a stone to be placed in the baby section. Baby interned in 1961 without marker. The board motioned to accept memorial stone be placed in baby section or possibly near grandparents. Clerk to follow up conversation with family.

Cemetery Sexton update: Fresh graves are being dressed and seeded. Finding lots for funerals and upcoming sales. Attendance at funerals. Small storage building may need paint. Plans to plant flowers and to place and removed military flags in the Memorial Garden for Memorial Day.

Spring footer list: See above Clerk Update.

2025 Budget: Board members, Chris Gallagher, and Rosemary Leshinski met with Michelle Henke, fiscal officer on May 3rd to review and submit budget.

Memorial Day Parade: Chris Gallagher gave an update of the Community and Economic Development Committee meeting on May 6th. The committee had questions about the cemetery involvement for the Memorial Day Parade/Program. The cemetery plans to have Lockes Go Green clean, trim and mulch the landscaping at the Memorial Garden. Flags to be placed at veteran's gravesite by Jeannie Maschari. Flowers to be planted around entrance flagpole. Military flags to be placed behind the podium.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Natalie Iafolla, Cemetery Clerk

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ADDENDUM 1
MINUTES 5-8-2024

GoGreen Landscaping, LLC

461 E. Lorain St.
Oberlin, OH 44074
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RECIPIENT:

South Amherst Cemetery

Village of South Amherst
103 West Main St.
S. Amherst, OH 44001

Quote #655

Sent on

Apr 16, 2024

Total

\$2,600.00

SERVICE ADDRESS:

48487 Telegraph Road
Evergreen Cemetery
South Amherst, Ohio 44001

Product/Service	Description	Total
Materials	Materials to Include: Premium Grade Topsoil Double Shredded Mulch	\$0.00
Tree Removal	Cut down and remove the two trees. Haul away and remove wood. Grind stumps. Remove and clean-up stump grindings. Install premium grade topsoil. Install double shredded mulch.	\$2,600.00

Total

\$2,600.00

If you have any inquiries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

This Quote is valid for 30 days, after 30 days the pricing and details may be subject to change.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

ADDENDUM 2
5-8-24

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ESTIMATE WAIVER WORK ORDER



440.986.2999

9651 Quarry Road
Amherst, OH 44001

DATE OF ESTIMATE: 3-22-24 DATE ENTERED INTO CONTRACT: _____

SCHEDULED: _____ JOB COMPLETED: _____

PROPERTY OWNERS NAME: Dave (Village of S. Amherst)	
PROPERTY ADDRESS: Honick Cemetery	CITY, STATE, ZIP: Amherst OH
CONTACT PERSON (if different than owner) Evergreen	
BILLING ADDRESS (if different than property address)	
CONTACT PHONE NUMBER(S) 440-522-8995	DO YOU TEXT? ☒ YES ☐ NO
EMAIL (for billing purposes only): davidjleshinski@gmail.com	

DESCRIPTION	PRICE
Remove 2 Large TREES Evergreen	900.00
Take wood & brush	
Remove 2 Stumps	
Stump grinding	300.00

By signing this estimate you are entering into a contract with Bob's Tree Service, LLC, giving permission to perform all the above outlined work. You are also agreeing with all the terms and conditions of Bob's Tree Service, LLC waiver outlined below

CUSTOMER SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

Terms and Conditions of Bob's Tree Service, LLC

Owner gives Bob's Tree Service, LLC consent to access the above stated property for the purpose outlined above. Work crew shall arrive at the job site unannounced unless otherwise specified herein. Bob's Tree Service, LLC shall attempt to meet all performance dates, but shall not be liable for damages due to delay from inclement weather or other cause beyond our control. All work will be performed professionally by experienced personnel outfitted with appropriate tools and equipment to complete the job properly. Unless otherwise indicated herein, Bob's Tree Service, LLC will remove wood, brush, and debris incidental to the work. Bob's Tree Service, LLC is insured for liability resulting from injury to persons or property, and all its employees are covered by Workers Compensation Insurance. The customer warrants that all trees, plant material and property upon which work is to be performed are either owned by him/her or that they have obtained permission for the work to be performed by the owner. Bob's Tree Service, LLC is to be held harmless from all claims for damages resulting from customers failure to obtain such permission. The customer understands that equipment for tree services are very big and extremely heavy. Bob's Tree Service, LLC is released of any damages that may be sustained to the above stated property while we are performing the work outlined above. All accounts are payable upon completion of the job. A service charge of 1.5% will be added to accounts not fully paid 30 days of service date and a 35\$ fee will be added to account for any returned checks. If outside assistance is used to collect on this the account, the customer is responsible for all costs associated with the collection, including, but not limited to, attorney fees and court costs.

OFFICE USE ONLY ☐ Called W/O ☐ Confirmed ☐ Partial Completion (1 of _____) ☐ Invoiced ☐ Payment Rcvd ☐ Late Fees Accessed ☐ Other: _____

What Trucks _____ Est. Time _____ ☐ Wet ☐ When Frozen ☐ OUPS Info ☐ Trees Marked

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