

Sugar Hill Cemetery Trustees Meeting – September 11, 2025
5:00pm at The Crapo Building

Present: Leo Dickinson, Kathy Jablonski, Lynn Kenerson, Larry Sawyer, Lynne Warren
Also present: Peter Carbonneau, Sexton

Regular Business Meeting called to order at 5:00pm by Kathy Jablonski, Chair

Approval of the Minutes

MOTION: (Sawyer, Warren) to approve the minutes from August 14, 2025 as presented.

VOTE: All in favor.

Sexton's Report

- Find-a-Grave: A citizen has been photographing headstones and doing research at the Sunnyside cemetery. Her intention is to update Sunnyside's information on Find-a-Grave's website. A discussion around public access to records followed. Lynn will follow up with her.
MOTION: (Sawyer, Warren) to grant public access to the list of burials including name, lot location, and date of death. In addition, corresponding maps will be made available.
VOTE: All in favor.
- Budget: John Hanks offered to comp the "Unknown" stones. We gratefully accept his offer. The final invoice for paving came to \$21,375.00. That is \$375 over the budgeted line item, but we have the funds in our remaining budget to pay the overage.
- The topic of illegal spreading of ashes generated more discussion. Kathy is working on a letter to the individual responsible for the incident at Hannah in July.

Old Business

- Broken monument repair: Seven broken stones are the subject of discussion, plus two more that are leaning badly. The first bid came from NE Gravestone Services, and the second from Littleton Monument. Littleton Monument bid \$350 to realign the 2 leaning stones and \$1500 for repairing 6 out of the 7 broken stones (the 7th is a special case).
MOTION: (Sawyer, Dickinson) to spend \$350 to reset the two leaning stones (Northey and Whipple) this fall.
VOTE: All in favor.
- Monument cleaning: The committee agreed that we will hold off on more professional cleaning at this time. Families are welcome to have their monuments cleaned as needed, and we will use spray-on cleaner next season with volunteer labor for stones that need it most.
- Trackside credit: still available.
- Rule regarding casket and cremains in one lot: The intent of the rule has been clarified and Lynn will draft a new Rules/Regulations paragraph for the group's review at the October meeting. Definitions of lot, plot, etc. will be added also.
- Aldrich relocation: Ms. Aldrich has agreed to move from the historic SD lot to Hannah lot #6.
- Byers lot purchase: The committee acknowledges for the record the e-vote to approve the application. The vote in favor was finalized of August 19, 2025.

New Business

- Non-resident request to purchase a lot: Debbie Dufur (Cyr) has applied to purchase a lot in the Sunnyside Cemetery next to her brother.

MOTION: (Sawyer, Warren) to accept the application for a Right to Inter.

VOTE: All in favor.

- Potential projects for 2026:
 - Ledgepack for the older roads at Sunnyside & Hannah
 - Display map for Sunnyside
 - Monument repair for 7 broken stones
 - Monument cleaning
 - Rail fence (\$58/section ... ~40 at Hannah)
 - Hannah signage
 - 100 new Veteran flags
 - New roof on the hearse shed
 - Paint for the hearse shed
 - Loam/grass Hannah
 - Equipment rental

Next Meeting: **The next meeting is October 9, 2025** at 5:00pm at the Crapo Building.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynn Kenerson, Secretary