

City of Hancock

Cemetery Board of Trustees Meeting

October 19, 2021

10:00 A.M.

Members Present at the Cemetery: Betty Boxer-Toutant, Carol Carli, Paul Nelson, Mary Pekkala, City Manager Mary Babcock, Sextons Steve G. Belo and Steve R. Belo

- Thank you to Sextons Steve G and Steve R for explaining the difference between what cemetery sections, lots, and individual grave sites are. They also helped us understand the different types of stones and markers. An upright stone is usually larger and sits on base and will be 3 feet wide. A flat foot marker usually is at the bottom of a grave site and a slant stone can either be smaller with one individual's name on it while a larger slant stone may be used by a family. Flat stones and slant stones that actually lay flat make care of the site much easier.
- Discussion of how many burials, whether a casket or cremains, and the number and type of markers/stones per grave site, followed. Mary Babcock will present options for those at our January 2022 meeting for discussion. When we come to a consensus, the proposals to be included in the cemetery by-laws can be presented to the city council. If approved in late winter/early spring of 2022, those regulations can be implemented next summer.
- Member Betty Boxer-Toutant made a suggestion that we consider placing a columbarium at the entry of the cemetery at the bottom of the hill on M-203. Planning for placement of the columbarium

and parking would need to be taken care of. This plan would allow winter burials of cremains.

- Our visit to the cemetery ended at 11:15.

Carol Carli, Member