



City of Bristol

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AGENDA -Revised
Regular Meeting of the Cemetery Commission
Monday – June 8, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.
Bristol Historical Society, 98 Summer Street, Bristol, CT 06010

1. Call to Order
2. Public Participation
3. Approval of the Minutes
 - May 11, 2026 – Regular Meeting
4. Old Business
 - United Way Day of Caring – Was completed on May 20th with great success.
5. New Business
 - Current Cemetery Commission Finance Discussion
 - Cemetery 2026 Budget Discussion
 - Lawn Care Contract Update/Discussion. City of Bristol Park's Department to be doing.
 - Update on the Civil War Monument in West Cemetery (Part of the 2026 Budget).
 - Look for Grants to finish Civil War Monument (Part of the 2026 Budget).
 - The paperwork for locating gravestones at North Cemetery was given out. The Cemetery Commission will now be correcting it so it can be given out and put on the internet. QR Codes on selected cemetery stones will be included plus other information that's collected (Part of the 2026 Budget).
 - Adding QR Codes to selected stones discussion.
6. Any other business proper to come before the meeting
7. Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted:
Mike Saman
Chairman

Committee Members

Town & City Clerk

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Meeting of the Cemetery Commission
Monday May 11, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.
Bristol Historical Society, 98 Summer Street, Bristol, CT 06010

ATTENDEES: Chairman Michael Saman
Commissioner Maya Bringe
Commissioner Stanley Piotrowski

ABSENT: Mayor Ellen Zoppo Sassu

- **Call to Order**

Chairman Saman called the meeting to order at 5:36 pm.

- **Public Participation**

None.

- **Approval of the Minutes**

- **April 13, 2026 – Regular Meeting**

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Piotrowski to accept the April 13, 2026 meeting minutes as written.

Seconded by Commissioner Piotrowski.
All in favor; motion passed

- **Old Business by Commissioners**

None.

- **New Business by Commissioners**

- **United Way Day of Caring – April 24, 2026**

- The date has been changed to May 20th (rain date May 21st & 22nd). Three of the four schools from last year's Day of Caring event will be returning this year with approximately 80 students. The Commission will have students clean moss off the stones on the east side of the cemetery, clean the dirty stones on the west side, and pick up broken/fallen stones. All of the stones that need to be cleaned or pick up have been marked.

- **Possible United Way Grant Available**

- United Way has offered the City a grant to go with the Day of Caring event. Chairman Saman will forward the grant information to City staff for processing.

- **Current Cemetery Commission Finance Discussion**
- **Cemetery 2026 Budget Discussion**
- **Lawn Care Contract Update/Discussion.** City of Bristol's Parks Department to be doing
- **Updates on the Civil War Monument in West Cemetery (Part of the 2026 Budget)**

- Look for Grants to finish Civil War Monument (Part of the 2026 Budget)
 - Chairman Saman informed the Commission that the West Cemetery Association voted to dissolve and the maintenance will be taken over by the Parks Department moving forward. The Commission will hold off on budget discussions until the details have been worked out.
- The paperwork for locating gravestones at North Cemetery was given out. The Cemetery Commission will now be correcting it so it can be given out and put on the internet. QR codes on selected cemetery stones will be included plus other information that's collected.
 - Chairman Saman will reach out to Dawn Leger to find funding for the QR Code project at Lewis Street Cemetery. The Commission discussed the different options that may be available for the codes and potential costs associated with additional options. Commissioner Bringe will contact Sara Larson to see if the Park's Department could assist in any way and Chairman Saman will contact Attorney Hamzy to see if codes can be put on stones.
- **Any other business proper to come before the meeting.**

None.

- **Adjournment.**

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Piotrowski to adjourn the meeting at 6:30pm.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner Bringe.

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mike Saman, Chairman