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AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Cemetery Commission

Monday – September 8, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

Bristol Historical Society, 98 Summer Street, Bristol, CT 06010

1. Call to Order
2. Public Participation
3. Approval of August 11, 2025 Minutes – Regular Meeting
4. Old Business by commissioners
 - Lantern Tours – Scheduled for October 3rd & 4th (Rain date October 5th)
 - Wreaths Across America – Scheduled for December 13th
5. New Business by commissioners
 - Update on the Civil War Monument in West Cemetery.
 - Look for Grants to finish Civil War Monument.
 - 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.
 - Review Lawn Care Contract.
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 August 11, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.
Bristol Historical Society, 98 Summer Street, Bristol, CT 06010

ATTENDEES: Chairman Michael Saman
Commissioner Linda Arbesman
Commissioner Thomas LaPorte
Council Member Sebastian Panioto
Commissioner Stanley Piotrowski

ABSENT: Commissioner Maya Bringe

1. Call to Order

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

2. Public Participation

None.

3. Approval of July 14, 2025 Minutes – Regular Meeting

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Piotrowski to accept the July 14, 2025 meeting minutes as written.

Seconded by Commissioner LaPorte.
All in favor; motion passed

4. Old Business by Commissioners

Lantern Tours - The tours are currently scheduled for October 3rd and 4th with a rain date of October 5th.

Wreaths Across America – This event is currently scheduled for December 13, 2025 at noon.

5. New Business by Commissioners

- Updates on the Civil War Monument in West Cemetery. Conservation needs.
- Look for Grants to finish Civil War Monument
 - There is no grant money available for these repairs right now. Chairman Saman is working with the Main Street Community Foundation to find funds.
- 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 provided the Commission with a Bristol Press Article regarding audio tours that are now offered at the American Clock & Watch Museum. They would like to do a similar project at local cemeteries. According to the article, the Clock & Watch Museum received the funds for this project through an ARPA grant.
- Review Lawn Care Contract

- Chairman Saman informed the Commission that Roger Rousseau retired from the Purchasing Department and he will try to meet with the new Purchasing Agent in the next few weeks to review the Lawn Care Contract. The City/Commission have still not received any of the information that was requested from West Cemetery. The Commission expressed their concerns regarding the state of North St Cemetery specifically and they would like this issue to be addressed before next year so they can schedule events with the 250th Anniversary Committee for next year.

6. Any other business proper to come before the meeting.

None.

7. Adjournment.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Arbesman to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 pm.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner LaPorte.

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mike Saman, Chairman