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AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Cemetery Commission

Monday – October 6, 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 September 8, 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 September 8, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.
Bristol Historical Society, 98 Summer Street, Bristol, CT 06010

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

ABSENT: None

1. Call to Order

Chairman Saman called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

2. Public Participation

None.

3. Approval of August 11, 2025 Minutes – Regular Meeting

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Piotrowski to accept the August 11, 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. A rehearsal will be held at BHS a few days before the tours, and it will be open to the public who cannot attend the tours. The first tour each night is scheduled to start at 6:00PM and the last tour each night will step off at 8:00PM. The suggested donation is \$10 per person.

Wreaths Across America – This event is currently scheduled for December 13, 2025 at noon. DAR plans to contact the press prior to the event.

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 are no updates on grant funding for the monument repairs. The Commission continued their discussions on going before the Board of Finance and asking for a yearly budget to expedite the repairs process.
- 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 took the new QR Code Audio Tour offered by the Clock Museum and provided the Commission with a brief overview. He sees great potential for the Commission to offer similar tours at the cemeteries.
- Review Lawn Care Contract
 - There are no updates on the Lawn Care Contract and the City has still not received the requested documents from West Cemetery. Chairman Saman will review the documents he has on the West Cemetery and will bring them before the Commission.

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

The Commission scheduled a clean-up day at Lewis Street Cemetery on Sunday October 19th from 1pm-4pm.

7. Adjournment.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner LaPorte to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 pm.

Motion Seconded by Commissioner Arbesman.

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mike Saman, Chairman