

VILLAGE OF PLEASANT HILL, OHIO

ORDINANCE 947

AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH THE RULES FOR THE OPERATION OF THE PLEASANT HILL CEMETERY

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinances 930, 933 and 937t of The Village of Pleasant Hill, Miami County, Ohio the Village has promulgated rules for the operation of the Pleasant Hill Cemetery and;

WHEREAS, the prior rules have proven to be inadequate;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Village of Pleasant Hill, Miami County, Ohio:

SECTION ONE: That the fees and charges shall be as follows:

1. The cost for opening or closing a grave shall be charged as follows:
 - a. Regular opening or closing Mon.-Fri. \$400.00
 - b. Regular opening or closing Sat.-Sun. \$600.00
 - c. Regular opening or closing Holidays \$600.00
 - d. Baby grave opening or closing Mon.-Fri. \$150.00
 - e. Baby grave opening or closing Sat.-Sun. \$250.00
 - f. Baby grave opening or closing Holidays \$250.00
 - g. If the grave side memorial service begins after 3:00 P.M. then a \$100.00 fee will be added to the above listed charges.
 - h. Ashes opening or closing Mon.-Fri. \$150.00
 - i. Ashes opening or closing Sat.-Sun \$200,00
 - j. Ashes opening or closing Holidays \$200.00
2. Sales of lots:
 - a. Residents of Pleasant Hill\$275.00
 - b. Residents of Newton Township\$400.00
 - c. All other\$500.00
 - d. Transfers\$ 50.00
3. Bases:
 - a. The price per cubic foot of poured foundation..\$ 20.00
 - b. Precast memorial plaque bases (installed).....\$100-00
4. Disinterment\$1,500.00
(Disinterment charge does not include the opening or closing of the grave and does not include the charge for the vault.)
5. Moving existing Ledger stones.....\$100.00

SECTION TWO: Definitions.

1. Holidays shall include New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and Thanksgiving Day.
2. Cemetery personnel shall include those person(s) who the Village Council shall designate to generally maintain or operate the cemetery.

SECTION THREE: The hours of operation for the cemetery shall be according to the following schedule:

1. Disinterment Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
2. Burials Mon.-Sun. 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
3. Visitors Mon.-Sun. 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
4. No burials are permitted on Christmas day and the day of the Pleasant Hill Memorial Day celebration.

SECTION FOUR: That the following rules shall be the General Rules for the operation of the cemetery:

1. No person shall be permitted to plant trees, shrubs, flowers or any vegetation on the cemetery grounds without the consent of the cemetery personnel.
2. No person shall be permitted to place borders around any monument or grave.
3. No glass containers are permitted on the cemetery grounds.
4. Funeral flowers and decorations will be removed one week after the Funeral.
5. Any unkempt decorations, as determined by the cemetery personnel, will be removed by the cemetery personnel.
6. March 15th of each year the cemetery personnel will remove any and all decorations that interfere with the efficient grounds keeping of the cemetery. From March 15 through October 31 of each year, all flowers and decorations placed on the ground or attached to the side of a monument and within 14 inches of the ground will be removed by cemetery personnel. The cemetery personnel will continue to remove decorations that interfere with the efficient grounds keeping during the mowing season.
7. Any existing shrubs, trees or flowers that are overgrown, unsightly or interferes with any lot as determined by the cemetery personnel, will be removed by the cemetery personnel.
8. The cemetery personnel must be notified by 12:00 p.m. Friday for a burial on the following Monday.
9. The grave name shall be clearly marked on all grave decorations.
10. No snowmobiles are allowed on the cemetery grounds.

11. All foundations must be constructed by cemetery personnel.
12. All vaults must be inspected by the cemetery personnel to determine whether the vault is adequately constructed to support the fill and cemetery equipment.
13. Prior to the burial, the costs for the lot and the opening and closing of the grave must be paid in full, the additional charge for a grave side memorial service that begins after 3:00 P.M. may be charged after the burial.
14. That for lots sold subsequent to the passage of this ordinance, there shall be only one burial permitted per grave.
15. That under no circumstances will multiple burials be permitted if it requires removal of a prior burial.
16. That all burials, with the exception of a cremation, require a vault.
17. That from the passage date of this ordinance, ledger stones (full grave coverings) will not be permitted.

SECTION FIVE: That Ordinances 930, 933 and all other ordinances or resolutions in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION SIX: That this Ordinance be and is hereby declared to be an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of the health, welfare, and safety of the citizens of the Village of Pleasant Hill, Ohio for the aforementioned reasons and therefore, this Resolution shall take effect as soon as allowable by law.

PASSED this 6th day of August, 2001.

Approved as to form:

Paul Wagner, Solicitor
Mary Stanforth, Clerk/Treasurer

Gary Johnston, Mayor
Georgiana Weaver, President of Council