

VILLAGE OF PLEASANT HILL, OHIO

ORDINANCE 1025

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

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinances 930, 933, 937t, 947, and 1016 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. .... \$ 750.00
  - c. Regular opening or closing Holidays ..... \$ 750.00
  - d. Baby grave opening or closing Mon.–Fri. .... \$ 150.00
  - e. Baby grave opening or closing Sat.–Sun. .... \$ 375.00
  - f. Baby grave opening or closing Holidays ..... \$ 375.00
  - g. Ashes opening or closing Mon.–Fri. .... \$ 150.00
  - h. Ashes opening or closing Sat.–Sun. .... \$ 375.00
  - i. Ashes opening or closing Holidays ..... \$ 375.00
  - j. 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.
2. Sales of graves:
  - a. Grave..... \$ 400.00
  - b. Transfers ..... \$ 50.00
1. Bases:
  - a. The price per cubic foot of poured foundation ..... \$ 20.00
  - b. Precast memorial plaque bases (installed) ..... \$100.00
  - c. Individuals not using a monument company must prepay for a foundation order.
3. 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)
4. 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.-Sat. 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
3. Visitors ..... Mon.-Sun. 6:00 a.m.-9:00 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 cemetery grounds without the written 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. Artificial flowers and potted plants shall be permitted one week prior to Memorial Day and one week following, after which time such flowers and plants shall be removed. All decorations shall be placed on the monument, or lawn, not dug into the turf.
7. March 15<sup>th</sup> of each year the cemetery personnel will remove any and all decorations that interfere with the efficient grounds keeping of the cemetery. The cemetery personnel will continue to remove decorations that interfere with the efficient grounds keeping during the mowing season.
8. Artificial wreaths, crosses, ornaments and designs shall be permitted after November 20<sup>th</sup> and shall be removed by March 15<sup>th</sup> of the following year.
9. Statuary or a decoration which is not part of a monument design, benches, baskets, crockery, glass, wire, wrought iron, and metal receptacles, wood chips, marble chips, windsocks and any other items not on a foundation are not permitted and shall be removed without notice. Veteran bronze markers are allowed. Two single hook Shepherds=hooks will be allowed per monument. The Shepherds=hooks may not be permanently affixed to the ground (not concreted in place). The Shepherds=hooks must be abutting the monument foundation. The Shepherds=hooks must be suspended over monument and not extending beyond foundation. Only one hanging plant or vigil light may be suspended from each hook. Any violation of this section will result in removal of the decoration in violation.
10. 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.
11. The cemetery personnel must be notified by 12:00 p.m. Friday for a burial on the following Monday.
  12. The grave name shall be clearly marked on all grave decorations.
  13. No ATV or snowmobiles are allowed on the cemetery grounds.
  14. All foundations must be approved and constructed by cemetery personnel. All items placed on foundation may not be permanently attached or fastened. Foundation orders for spring pour must be in by March 31<sup>st</sup>, and orders for fall pour by September 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.
  15. All vaults must be inspected by cemetery personnel to determine whether the vault is adequately constructed to support the fill and cemetery equipment.
  16. Prior to the burial, the cost for 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.
  17. Funeral directors must supply lot and grave number for each burial. Pleasant Hill Cemetery assumes no responsibility for errors due to incorrect information.
  18. That for lots sold subsequent to the passage of this ordinance, there shall be limited to: one adult body in a horizontal position; or two infant bodies; or one infant body and one cremated remains; or two cremated remains per grave.
  19. That under no circumstances will multiple burials be permitted if it requires removal of a prior burial.
  20. That all burials, with the exception of a cremation, require a vault.
  21. That from the passage date of this Ordinance, ledger stones (full grave coverings) will not be permitted.
  22. No dumping of refuse, trees, tree limbs, grass clippings, flowers, mulch, shrubs, concrete, asphalt, rock or trash.
  23. No Wilber Way type burials.

SECTION FIVE: That Ordinance 1016 is hereby repealed.

PASSED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

Approved as to form:

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Solicitor

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Mayor

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Fiscal Officer

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President of Council