

**VILLAGE OF PLEASANT HILL, OHIO**

**ORDINANCE NO. 1070**

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

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Ordinance 1025 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 – Monday-Friday.....\$600.00
  - b. Regular Opening or closing – Saturday.....\$800.00
  - c. Baby grave opening or closing – Monday-Friday.....\$200.00
  - d. Baby grave opening or closing – Saturday.....\$425.00
  - e. Ashes opening and closing – Monday-Friday.....\$200.00
  - f. Ashes opening and closing – Saturday.....\$425.00
  - g. If the grave side memorial service begins after 3:00 P.M. then a \$200.00 fee will be added to the above listed charges.
  
2. Sale of Graves
  - a. Grave.....\$400.00
  - b. Transfers.....\$ 50.00
  
3. Bases:
  - a. The price per cubic foot of poured foundation.....\$ 20.00
  
4. Disinterment..... \$2,500.00  
(Disinterment charge does not include the opening or closing of the grave and does not include charge for the vault)
  
5. Moving existing Ledger stones.....\$100.00

**SECTION TWO:** Definitions:

1. No burials shall be scheduled on Sundays, or Holidays recognized by the Village of Pleasant Hill as employee holidays.

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.....Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
2. Burials.....Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
3. Visitors.....Sunday-Saturday 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
4. No burials shall be scheduled on Sundays or Holidays

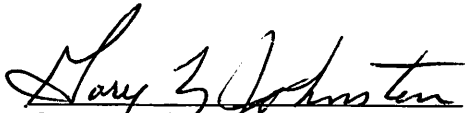
**SECTION FOUR:** That the following rules shall be the General Rules for the operation of the cemetery.


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 shall be removed one week after the funeral.
5. Any unkempt decorations, as determined by the cemetery personnel will be removed and discarded 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 other than floral that is not part of a monument design, benches, baskets, crockery, glass, wire, wrought iron, and metal receptacles, wood chips, marble chips, windsocks and other items detrimental to the appearance of the cemetery are not permitted and shall be removed without notice. Veteran bronze markers are allowed. One single hook shepherds-hooks will allowed per grave. The shepherds-hooks may not be permanently affixed to the ground (not concreted in place). The shepherds-hook must be abutting the 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.

11. 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 All Terrain Vehicle or snowmobiles are allowed on cemetery grounds.
14. All foundations must be constructed by cemetery personnel. Foundation orders for spring pour must be in by March 31<sup>st</sup>, and 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. For lots sold subsequent to 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. Under no circumstance will multiple burials be permitted if it requires removal of a prior burial.
20. All burials, with the exception of a cremation, require a vault.
21. 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, trash or dirt is permitted.
23. No Wilber Way type burials.
24. Monuments, memorial stones, grave markers and saddles are not the property of the cemetery, their maintenance and repair are the responsibility of the lot owner and heirs. Monuments can be insured against damages by insurance policies taken out with the owners' insurance company.

**SECTION FIVE:** That Ordinance No. 1025 of the Village of Pleasant Hill, Miami County, Ohio is hereby repealed.

PASSED this 12th day of March 2012

  
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Gary L. Johnston, Mayor

  
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Karl Marko, Jr., Fiscal Officer