Corporation of the Township of Chisholm

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> Gail Degagne, Mayor Jenny Leblond, CAO Clerk-Treasurer

<u>AGENDA</u>

BOXWELL CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING

December 11, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.

- 1. Appoint Chair
- 2. Adoption of Agenda.
- 3. Adoption of Minutes May 7, 2015 (Encl.)
- 4. Review the following documents (Encl.):
 - Terms of Reference
 - Cemetery By-law 2012-26
 - Care and Maintenance Fund rules
 - Caretaker Letter of Understanding
 - Cemetery fees
- 5. Financial Report (Encl.)
- 6. New business
 - (a) Discussion Cemetery upkeep
 - (b) Discussion Long Term planning (Encl. email from Robb Noon about repairing headstones)
- 7. Adjournment.
 - (a) Schedule a meeting in the spring

TOWNSHIP OF CHISHOLM

BOXWELL CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY, MAY 7TH, 2015

Chairperson David Hodgins called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with members Lori Anderson, Elaine Lauzon, and Gerry Rose present. Staff member present was Clerk-Treasurer Linda Ringler.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 2015-01 (BCC)

Lori Anderson – Gerry Rose: Be it resolved that the agenda for this meeting be adopted as presented. 'Carried'

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution 2015-02 (BCC)

Elaine Lauzon – Lori Anderson: Be it resolved that the Minutes of the June 30th, 2014 meeting be adopted as printed and circulated. 'Carried'

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2015-03 (BCC)

Gerry Rose – Lori Anderson: Be it resolved that the Boxwell Cemetery Committee accepts, with deep regret, the resignation of Chuck Osborne from the position of Grave Opener, and further that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. Osborne, thanking him for his efforts while in the position. 'Carried'

The Cemetery Committee discussed how to fill the position of Grave Opener, and decided to have the Clerk-Treasurer contact Jean Cousineau to ascertain if he would be interested in doing this work, as he is presently doing the grass mowing and this work was done by one person in the past. If Mr. Cousineau declines the work, the Clerk-Treasurer was asked to advertise in the Township's Newsletter for someone to do the work.

Resolution 2015-04 (BCC)

Elaine Lauzon – Lori Anderson: Be it resolved that the Boxwell Cemetery Committee recommends to Council that the cemetery investments coming due this year be reinvested based on advice from the financial advisor. 'Carried'

Clerk-Treasurer Ringler provided information from the Bereavement Authority of Ontario, a single regulator for the bereavement sector which is in the process of being established by the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services (MGCS).

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution	2014-05	(BCC)
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Elaine Lauzon – Lori Anderson: Be it resolved that we do now adjourn to meet again at the call of the Chair. 'Carried'
Time: 7:25 p.m.

Chairperson	
Clerk-Treasurer	

TERMS OF REFERENCE CEMETERY COMMITTEE

a) Mandate

The Cemetery Committee serves in an advisory capacity, making recommendations to the Chief Administrative Officer Clerk-Treasurer about matters pertaining to the operation and maintenance of the Boxwell Cemetery. The Committee also serves to assist with the design and implementation of a continuous long-range plan for the cemetery.

b) Composition

The Cemetery Committee includes up to eight members, including:

- o one member of Council;
- up to two employees of the Township, including the Chief Administration Officer Clerk-Treasurer and one employee appointed by the Chief Administrative Officer Clerk-Treasurer;
- o up to five citizens.

The Mayor is an "Ex-Officio" member, in accordance with the Procedural By-law.

c) Appointment of the Chair

The Chair of the Cemetery Committee is appointed by its members at the first meeting of the Committee, unless specified in the By-law establishing the Committee.

d) Rules of procedure

Rules of procedure follow the requirements established for regular and special meetings in the Procedural By-law.

e) Reporting to Council

The Cemetery Committee reports to Council through minutes of meetings, Committee recommendations and/or written reports submitted by the Chair to the Chief Administrative Officer Clerk-Treasurer for Council.

f) Limits to Powers

The Cemetery Committee is advisory in nature and does not make decisions on behalf of Council.

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHISHOLM

BY-LAW 2012-26

Being a by-law for the operation of the Boxwell Union Cemetery.

WHEREAS Section 150(1) of the Funeral, Burial, Cremation Services Act (FBCSA), S.O.2002, Chapter 33 permits a cemetery operator to make by-laws governing the operation of a cemetery;

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm is the operator of the Boxwell Union Cemetery;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it expedient to enact certain laws, rules and regulations for the efficient operation and management of the Boxwell Union Cemetery;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm enacts as follows:

1 DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this by-law:

- 1.1 "Burial" means the opening and closing of an inground lot or plot for the disposition of human remains or cremated human remains.
- 1.2 "By-law" means the rules and regulations under which the Cemetery operates.
- "Care and Maintenance Fund": It is a requirement under the FBCSA that a percentage of the purchase price of all Interment Rights, and set amounts for marker and monument installations is contributed into the Care and Maintenance Fund. Interest earned from this fund is used to provide care and maintenance of plots, lots, markers and monuments at the Cemetery.
- 1.4 "Cemetery" means the Boxwell Union Cemetery.
- 1.5 "Cemetery Caretaker" means the person appointed by Council to care for the Cemetery in accordance with the Cemetery By-law established by Council.
- "Contract" means the contract with the cemetery that all purchasers of interment rights must sign, detailing obligations of both parties and acceptance of the cemetery by-law.
- 1.7 "Disinterment" means the removal of human remains from a lot.
- 1.8 "Grave" (also known as Lot) means any inground burial space intended for the interment of a child or adult and/or cremated human remains.
- 1.9 "Interment Right" means the right to require or direct the interment of human remains or cremated human remains in a grave, lot, and direct the associated memorialization.
- 1.10 "Interment Rights Certificate" means the document issued by the Cemetery to the purchaser once the interment rights have been paid in full, identifying ownership of the interment rights.
- 1.11 "Interment Rights Holder" means any person designated to hold the right to inter human remains in a specified lot.
- 1.12 "Lot" means a single grave space.
- 1.13 "Marker" means any permanent memorial structure that is set flush and level with the ground, and used to mark the location of a burial lot.

- 1.14 "Monument" means any permanent memorial projecting above the ground installed within the designated space to mark the location of a burial or lot.
- 1.15 "Plot" means a parcel of land, sold as a single unit, containing multiple lots.

2 SALE OF LOTS

- 2.1 Lots may only be sold by the Township of Chisholm.
- 2.2 The Township of Chisholm shall provide each Interment Rights purchaser at the time of sale with:
 - (a) A copy of the Consumer Information Guide;
 - (b) A copy of the Cemetery's price list;
 - (c) An explanation of cancellation rights and refund entitlements;
 - (d) Upon payment in full, a Certificate of Interment Rights.
- 2.3 Lots measuring four (4) feet by eight (8) feet in the old section, and four (4) feet by nine (9) feet in the new section of the cemetery are available for sale.
- 2.4 All prices for cemetery lots and services established by the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm shall be as set out in the most recent Price List for the Cemetery. Prices for lots shall include the applicable portion for deposit to the Cemetery's Care and Maintenance Fund.

3 CARE AND MAINTENANCE FUND

- 3.1 As directed by the Funeral, Burial, Cremation Services Act, 2002, Province of Ontario, the price for each grave contains the required Care and Maintenance Fund contribution, and is as follows:
 - (a) In the case of an inground grave (24 sq. ft. or larger) for the burial of an adult or child, and/or cremated remains, the greater of \$250.00 or 40% of interment rights price.
- 3.2 The Care and Maintenance Funds are set aside for the permanent care of the grounds. The interest earned from this fund is used annually to cut grass, level graves, markers, and to keep the property generally beautiful.
- 3.3 Care and Maintenance Funds are kept in trust in keeping with the directions of the Funeral, Burial, Cremation Services Act, 2002.

4 INTERMENTS/DISINTERMENTS

- 4.1 An Interment Rights Holder or his/her personal representative must provide written permission to the Township of Chisholm if the human remains of someone other than the owner is to be buried in the lot.
- 4.2 The cemetery is open for burials Monday to Saturday, and only on Sundays at the approval of the Township of Chisholm from May 1st to and including October 31st or while conditions are favourable, at the approval of the Cemetery Caretaker.
- 4.3 An Interment Rights Holder or the personal representative of the owner may have the following human remains placed in one lot:
 - (a) one casket, and/or
 - (b) up to six cremated remains.

- 4.4 Notice of each interment shall be given to the Township of Chisholm Administration Dept. forty-eight hours prior to the interment.
- 4.5 The Township of Chisholm requires the following documentation for:
 - (a) Interment Burial permit.
 - (b) Cremation Certificate of Cremation.
 - (c) Installation of a flat marker and upright monument Purchase order from the monument supplier detailing the size of the monument and the lot it is to be installed upon.
 - (d) Disinterments must be made as provided in the FBCSA and Regulations thereto. Any request for disinterment must be made in writing to the Township of Chisholm. Written permission from the Interment Rights Holder must be obtained, and notification given to the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit. Before disinterment can take place, all costs must be paid in full.

5 PURCHASE AND TRANSFER OF INTERMENT RIGHTS

- 5.1 Interment Rights shall be purchased only from the Township of Chisholm at the current prices.
- Purchasers of Interment Rights acquire only the right and privilege of burial of the dead and of construction of approved memorials subject to rules relating to memorials.
- 5.3 Interment Rights may only be transferred with the permission of the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm.
- 5.4 The Corporation of the Township of Chisholm prohibits the resale of interment rights to a third party and will repurchase these rights at the price listed on the current price list, less the amount paid into the Care and Maintenance Fund.
- 5.5 Should an owner desire to transfer his Rights, he shall register with the Township of Chisholm Administration Department the name and address to whom the transfer shall be made together with a commissioned statement.
- The transfer of Ownership of Interment Rights (lot) is not binding upon the Township of Chisholm until the Rights owner returns the Certificate of Interment Rights to the Township of Chisholm, who will then issue a new certificate to the transferee.
- An Interment Rights Holder may cancel an interment rights contract within thirty (30) days of signing the interment rights contract by providing written notice of the cancellation to the Township of Chisholm. The Township will refund all monies paid by the purchaser within thirty (30) days from the date of their request for cancellation.

6 MARKERS

- 6.1 In accordance with FBCSA, a prescribed amount as follows shall be paid into the Care and maintenance Fund of the cemetery upon the installation of a marker:
 - (a) In the case of installing a flat marker less than 1,116.13 square centimetres (173 square inches), \$0.
 - (b) In the case of installing a flat marker measuring at least 1,116.13 square centimeters (173 square inches), \$50.00.

- (c) In the case of installing an upright marker measuring 1.22 metres (four feet) or less in height and 1.22 metres (four feet) or less in length, including the base, \$100.00.
- (d) In the case of installing an upright marker measuring more than 1.22 metres (four feet) in either height or length, including the base, \$200.00.
- (e) No contribution to the Care and Maintenance Fund is required if the marker is installed to replace a marker that has been damaged and cannot be repaired.
- Only one flat marker may be installed on a lot for marking cremated remains, in addition to an upright marker, providing it is placed beside an existing upright marker, and does not exceed the width of the lot.
- 6.3 Flat markers must be mounted to a cement foundation measuring 10 to 15 centimetres (4 to 6 inches) in thickness.
- 6.4 Upright markers must be mounted on floating pads at least six (6) inches thick and extending three (3) inches around the perimeter of the monument base.
- 6.5 Markers must be placed at the head of the lot and may not exceed the width of the lot.

7 PERSONAL ORNAMENTATION ON A LOT

- 7.1 Cut flowers may be placed in a holder on the monument or marker.
- 7.2 A shrub may be planted by the interment rights owner or his/her personal representative. The interment rights owner or his/her personal representative must maintain the shrub in good order and the shrub may not exceed 45 centimetres (18 inches) in height. If the shrub is not maintained to the satisfaction of the Township of Chisholm, it will be removed by the Cemetery Caretaker.
- 7.3 Solar lights will be permitted in the cemetery provided they are placed tight up against the monument or marker.

8 RULES OF VISITORS

- 8.1 All visitors shall conduct themselves in a quiet, orderly manner and shall not disturb any services being held, by noises or otherwise.
- 8.2 Visitors shall travel through the Cemetery by way of the road and paths and shall not trespass over the burial lots of others.
- 8.3 Children under twelve (12) years of age must be accompanied by an adult who shall be responsible for their conduct.
- Visitors entering the Cemetery do so at their own risk and waive any claims to redress from the Township of Chisholm for accidents while on the grounds.
- 8.5 All persons are prohibited from picking any flower or disturbing any tree, shrub, or plant within the Cemetery and, likewise, are prohibited from defacing any marker, monument, fence or other structure in or belonging to the Cemetery.
- 8.6 The Cemetery will be open for visitors every day from sunrise to sunset.

9 WORK DONE AT THE CEMETERY

9.1 Cemetery grounds maintenance, grave openings and construction of marker/monument foundations shall only be done by the approved Cemetery Caretaker.

- 9.2 Outside contractors coming onto the cemetery grounds must conform to the following:
 - (a) No work can be started without the written approval of the Township of Chisholm and where applicable the Rights owner or his/her personal representative.
 - (b) No work is to be done during the interment.
 - (c) The contractor must act in a respectful manner during the performance of the work.
 - (d) The contractor must satisfactorily clean up the area where his work is done.
 - (e) The contractor is responsible for providing insurance and compensation coverage for himself and his workers.

Read a first, second and third time and passed this 23rd day of October, 2012.

Deputy Mayor, David Hodgins

Clerk-Treasurer, Linda M. Ringler

For what purposes can the income from the CMF/(CMA) be used? O. Reg. 30/11, section 93



- USE OF INCOME A cemetery operator who receives money i.e. income from the fund/account shall use the money only to maintain, secure and preserve the cemetery, including its grounds, buildings, structures and markers, and the equipment used to maintain, secure and preserve the cemetery
 - if the work described above has been completed, to maintain, secure and preserve other cemeteries operated by the same operator, including their grounds, buildings, structures and markers, and the equipment used to maintain, secure and preserve the other cemeteries, and
 - to pay the expenses incurred in establishing and maintaining any of the cemetery's CMF/CMA or to purchase equipment to be used strictly for the care and maintenance of the cemetery, if,
 - A. the operator is no longer selling interment rights, and is no longer selling scattering rights, for the cemetery, and
 - B. the cemetery does not generate any revenue from the operation of a funeral establishment, crematorium or transfer service or from the sale of caskets or markers.



Income from the CMF/(CMA) be used for? (Continued) FBCSA - Subsections 53. (4), 53. (15-19), O. Reg. 30/11 - sections 83-91, 93

Note: Excerpts from O. Reg. 30/11, s. 93 "For greater certainty"

- the operator is not permitted to use income from the fund or account to purchase equipment or to apply to any other purpose other than the care and maintenance of the cemetery
- the operator is permitted to use income from the fund or account to pay a worker wages and benefits for engaging in, or supervising, the stabilization, maintenance, securing or preservation of markers
- the operator is permitted to use income from the fund to pay a worker wages and benefits for engaging in, or supervising, the maintenance, securing or preservation of,
 - the cemetery or any of its grounds, buildings, structures or markers; or
 - the equipment used to maintain, secure or preserve the cemetery. O. Reg. 30/11, s. 93
- the operator is not permitted to use income from the fund or account to pay a worker wages or benefits for office work, sales work or engaging in, or supervising, the opening or closing of lots.

More importantly:

- No trustee of a CMF/CMA shall pay out any of the capital portion of the fund or account except as required or permitted by the FBCSA or the associated Regulations.
- A trustee of a CMF/CMA may transfer the fund or account to another trustee, with the written consent of the registrar
- Surplus interest i.e. unused interest, must be redeposited in the CMF/CMA. Interest not released cannot be released or used as a credit or at a later date.



By-laws - Cemetery

FBCSA Subsection 40.1(e), O. Reg. 30/11 sections 118, 150-153, 162 (20), 189-191

Defined in the FBCSA as "the rules under which the cemetery or crematorium is operated"

CEMETERY BY-LAWS

· A cemetery operator may make by-laws governing the operation of the cemetery and, in particular, governing rights, entitlements and restrictions with respect to interment and scattering rights

A cemetery by-law shall not prohibit an interment or scattering rights holder from making required arrangements with the cemetery operator by telephone or otherwise if the arrangements are necessary to exercise the

No cemetery operator shall operate a cemetery except in accordance with the by-laws of the cemetery

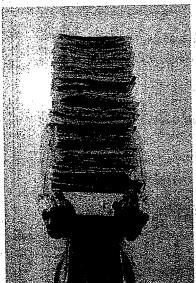
A cemetery's by-laws shall specify the documentation required in order to carry out an interment, scatterings or the installation of a marker

A cemetery operator is not prohibited from removing human remains placed in a cemetery without permission of the cemetery operator if the removal is authorized by the cemetery by-laws and if the removal is done in accordance with the cemetery by-laws.



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By-laws (Continued) FBCSA Subsection 40.1(e), 47.(1), O. Reg. 30/11 sections 118, 150-153, 189-191



By-laws are a vital requirement for a contract to be valid i.e.:

in the case of a contract for the purchase of interment or scattering rights, the operator delivers to the purchaser,

(i) a copy of the by-laws of the cemetery and written notice as to whether the by-laws of the cemetery permit the purchaser to resell the interment rights or scattering rights to a third party, and

(ii) a description of the location of the lot or scattering ground that is

in the case of a contract for the purchase of crematorium supplies and services, the operator delivers to the purchaser a copy of the crematorium's by-laws; and

By-laws are an integral requirement for the resale of interment Rights i.e.:

an interment rights holder or a scattering rights holder has the right to sell the interment rights or scattering rights, as the case may be, to a third party before the rights are exercised, if such a resale is not prohibited by the by-laws of the cemetery. 2002, c. 33, s. 47 (1).

Care & Maintenance Contributions

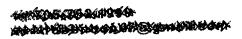
January 1, 2022

Contribution Type	Current Contribution Amount	Contribution Amount (effective January 1, 2022)
In-ground graves that are 2.23 m² (24 fi²) or larger	\$250 or 40% of price (whichever is greater)	er Propinsi 2000 in displace de la collègia de la c La collègia de la co
In-ground grave that is smaller than 2.23 m² (24 ft²)	\$150 or 40% of price (whichever is greater)	Enzyonichiopiaeenichere
Tomb, crypt or compartment in a public mausoleum	\$500 or 20% of price (whichever is greater)	(All Services of All Services
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Scattering ground for which there will be more than one scattering rights holder	(whichever is greater)	STATE ACTION OF ANY ACTION OF THE ACT
Scattering ground for which there will be no scattering rights holder	\$25	
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A private columbarium provided or constructed by a person other than the cemetery operator is installed in a cemetery	\$100 multiplied by the number of niches and compartments or 15% of the sum of specified prices (whichever is greater)	At a promote succession of a compact of the compact
To establish a cemetery	\$100,000	M faille
Flat marker measuring less than 1,116.13 cm² (173 in²)	50	
Flat marker measuring at least 1,116.23 cm² (173 in²)	\$50	¥ (400)
Upright marker measuring 1.22 m (4 ft) or less in height and 1.22 m (4 ft) or less in length, including the base	\$100	4000
Upright marker measuring more than 1.22 m (4 ft) in either height or length, including the base	\$200	400

Another Reason to Ensure the CMF is Established and Secured









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Letter of Understanding

Between J.C. Noon Memorials and Township of Chisholm

This Letter of Understanding (LOU) sets out the terms and understanding between the J. C. Noon Memorials and the (partner) for the Upkeep (Grass Cutting, Trimming, Grave Digging and General Maintenance) of the Boxwell Cemetery for a 1 year term.

Responsibilities and Rates:

Boxwell Cemetery

Grass Cutting and Trimming: \$240.00

Grave Digging: Full Grave

\$525.00 Weekdays, \$625.00 Weekends

Cremation

\$270.00 Weekdays, \$370.00 Weekends

Double Cremation

\$361.00 Weekdays, \$461.00 Weekends

General Maintenance:

\$65.00 per hour to be determined by J. C. Noon Memorials and/or

requested by the cemeteries.

Time and Reporting of Completed Work

Frequencies of Grass cutting, and Trimming will be done as determined by J. C. Noon Memorials or as requested by Astorville, Chiswick and Corbeil Cemeteries, usually every 2 to 3 weeks.

Grave digging will require 2 to 3 days' notice.

General maintenance will be completed while on cite for Grass Cutting, if required on other days a gas surcharge of \$50.00 will be added.

Date

THIS IS SCHEDULE "F" TO BY-LAW 2023-39 OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHISHOLM

1. The fees charged for cemetery services shall be as follows:

Burial Lots

Township Resident or Property Owner

(as of date of purchase)

Single Lot

4'x 8' (New Section) or

4'x 9' (Old Section)

\$340 (\$50 plus \$290 Care and

maintenance fund)

Non Resident

Single Lot

4'x 8' (New Section) or

4'x 9' (Old Section)

\$540 (\$250 plus \$290 Care

and Maintenance)

Interment Rates

	Weekdays	Weekends
Regular Grave Opening: Adult	\$525	\$625
Child/Infant	\$525	\$625
Cremation Opening	\$300	\$400
Double Cremation	\$425	\$575

Care and Maintenance Contributions for Monument/Markers

Under 173 sq. inches (no foundation required)	Nil
1 – 24 inches	\$100
25 – 48 inches	\$200
Over 48 inches	\$400

Cost for constructing foundations at the expense of clients and to be provided by Monument Companies.

Mayor, Gail Degagne

CÃO Clerk-Treasurer, Jennistine Leblond

^{*}Price Includes Care & Maintenance Fund.

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Gail Degagne, Mayor Jennistine Leblond, CAO Clerk-Treasurer

MEMO

To: Council

From: Jenny Leblond Date: December 5, 2024

RE: Boxwell Cemetery Financial Report

Operational Finances:

As of December 5, 2024 the township has paid \$5,943 in expenses directly related to the cemetery. These expenses would include lawn maintenance as well as interments. The cemetery has been busier in 2024 than in most years.

The plot sales, interment costs and some of the township tax base cover the annual costs of the cemetery.

Cemetery revenues in 2024 are \$4,460. This includes the sale of one plot but mostly is revenues for internments.

Investments:

Boxwell Cemetery has an investment in a GIC of \$5,590.58. This investment was from a private donation made years ago. The GIC renews July 15, 2025. The committee can make recommendations on how they may want to use this money.

The Care and Maintenance fund has a balance of \$41,207.23. This money is restricted and the committee can only use any interest earned in the year against expenses in that same year.