

PORTER TOWNSHIP
CASS COUNTY, MICHIGAN

SPECIAL MEETING MARCH 25, 2014 2:00 P.M. CEMETERY MEETING

Meeting called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Supervisor Harvey with the pledge to the flag.

Roll call taken Present were Harvey, Russell, Croninger and Wylie. Northrup absent

Also present were Mark and Deb Cloud from Action Lawn Care and Nancy DuFour Cemetery Overseer.

This meeting was to review the responsibilities of the Cemetery Sexton and to go over the contract however, the Attorney did not get the contract to us so will have to do this at another time. Discussion held on the prices we are currently charging for grave open/closing and some of the repairs being needed in the cemeteries. We have engaged Action Lawn Care to take over the duties of the Sexton of our Cemeteries. Action suggested the following prices for burials. We have not raised our rates since 2009 and it needs to be done.

Approved the following:

Standard Burial	\$550.	\$50.00 to Township; \$500 to Sexton
Cremation Burial	\$300.	\$50.00 to Township; \$250 to Sexton
Saturday thru Sunday Burial	\$150	extra to Sexton
Burial after 4:00 p.m.	\$50.00	extra to Sexton
Holiday Burial	\$200	extra to Sexton
Winter Burial (Nov 15 – Apr 1)	\$100	extra to Sexton

36 hour notice to Sexton for burial to match Ordinance

Headstone foundation	\$.70 sq. inch plus material cost—paid to Township
Headstone foundation	\$.65 sq. inch plus material cost—goes to Sexton
Snowplowing –Truck	\$75.00 per hour
Snowplowing-tractor	\$55 per hour.

All burials must have a vault, including cremation burials.

All footing fees must be paid to the Township.

No changes made to the rules of the Cemeteries

Discussed changing the prices for grave lots in the Township. Suggested raising them as follows:

Resident of Township	\$275.00 per grave
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Non-Resident of Township	\$500.00 per grave
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Discussed having trash barrels in the cemeteries. Will contact American Waste about putting them in. Probably only need them in the 4 major cemeteries.

After further discussion, motion made by Russell and supported by Croninger to accept the prices as set forth. Motion carried.

Will pay for Nancy, Marty and Mark to attend the Cemetery conference in June.

The Sexton will be paid through the Township.

Motion made by Wylie and supported by Croninger to adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

Marty Russell

Porter Township Clerk

