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A motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:40 P.M. by Renee Bauer. Second by Cat Houchins. Motion carried. Next meeting will be held at Swan Lake Memorial Garden's Office Complex on September 11, 2025, at 3:00 P.M.

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Davis Bush -President

Bernadette Dimke-Secretary

Roxanne DeRolf -Recorder

Community Activation Grant

Superintendent Loniewski explained to the Cemetery Board a few suggestions for the Community Activation Grant. The Grant deadline is March 2026/

- *Swan Lake Veterans Circle landscaping
- *Greenwood Cemetery entrance wall
- *Swan Lake Memorial Garden signage

Burials -

Greenwood – 5 Cremains 2 Full Burials 0 Entombment Total 7

Swan Lake - 1 Cremains 6 Full Burials 1 Entombment Total 8

Total 15

A motion to accept the Superintendent report by Cat Houchins. Second by Stephen Janus. Motion carried.

Old Business

none

New Business

The seasonal maintenance and employees at Greenwood Cemetery have received a thank you card and a gift card praising them for the work they do and how Greenwood Cemetery looks. The gift card will be used for the annual lunch at the end of the season.

Price list update

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A discussion was held to notify the Cemetery Board that monument dealers are giving families a choice of interment of cremation ashes into the headstone. Superintendent Loniewski recommends a recording fee of \$100.00 to be added to the Michigan City Cemetery price guide. A motion to add a recording fee to Michigan City Cemetery Department price guide by Stephen Janus. Second by Cat Houchins. Motion carried.

Swan Lake fountain repair

Swan Lake Memorial Gardens Pond foundation was installed in 2024. This summer the foundation stopped working, Superintendent Loniewski inspected the foundation and found out there is a family of muskrats in the pond. The muskrats chewed the wiring harness. New cables have been ordered.

Greenwood fence painting

Superintendent Loniewski explained seasonal employees will be painting the Greenwood Cemetery fence. Superintendent Loniewski will be working with Sherwin-Willams for a 1 step process to see how many gallons the project will take.

Swan Lake office exterior painting

Superintendent Loniewski explained the brick on the Swan Lake Memorial Garden office building was not included in the cost of the exterior painting and was completed by himself. There is 1 window left to be installed, and the painting contractor will finish the trim.

Serenity well repair quotes

A discussion was held on Serenity well repair, Superintendent Loniewski has received 2 new quotes. Clearwater Well \$3550.00 and Lakeland Pump & Well \$2900.00. Superintendent Loniewski recommended Lakeland Pump & Well for \$2900.00. A motion to accept Lakeland Pump for \$2900.00 by Cat Houchins. Second by Renee Bauer. Motion carried.

Superintendent Report:

• 2025 Revenue update

Superintendent Loniewski will include a revenue update in the Superintendent monthly report. Cemetery Department Revenue July 2025 is \$82,227.00. 2025 Total \$445,682.04.

2026 Budget update

Superintendent Loniewski held a discussion explaining the 2026 budget progress has started with the Controller and Mayor's office. Superintendent Loniewski will be asking for increases in utilities, contractual services and household items. Mayor Angie agreed to extend Greenwood Cemetery secretary to a full-time position with Greenwood Cemetery office hours 7:00am-3:30pm Monday-Friday.

Approval of mower purchase

A discussion was held for approval of bids for the purchase of zero turn mower. 3 bids were submitted, Riggs-LaPorte, IN \$18,000.00, Frontier-Michigan City, IN \$23,900.00 and Kenny Machinery-Fort Wayne, IN \$22,722.78. Superintendent Loniewski recommended Riggs in LaPorte, IN for \$18,000.00. A motion to accept Riggs for \$18,000.00 by Stephen Janus. Second by Cat Houchins. Motion carried.

New truck purchase

Superintendent Loniewski held a discussion on a new truck for the Michigan City Cemetery Department fleet. Superintendent Loniewski recommends the purchase of a Ford F-250 for snow plowing and hauling and implementing a coach truck to Swan Lake Memorial Gardens. A motion was made to start the QPA / Sourcewell purchase process by Cat Houchins. Second by Stephen Janus. Motion carried.

August 21, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Cemetery Trustees of Michigan City was called to order by President Davis Bush on August 21, 2025, at 3:00 P.M. at Swan Lake Memorial Gardens, 5700 E. Hwy 20, Michigan City, Indiana.

The following members responded to roll call:

Davis Bush Vera Gaston-absent

Bernadette Dimke-absent Cat Houchins

Renee Bauer

Stephen Janus Supt. Loniewski

Minutes of July 10, 2025 –as received through the mail. Upon a motion to approve by Stephen Janus. Second by Cat Houchins. Motion carried.

Horizon Bank Financial Report - Cemetery Financial Report of July 2025.

Upon a motion to approve by Cat Houchins. Second by Renee Bauer. All Board Members present approved. Motion carried.

<u>Bills were presented for payment</u>- accepted upon motion by Renee Bauer. Second by Cat Houchins. All Board members present approved. Approval was given for payment.