A motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:34 P.M. by Stephen Janus. Second by Cat Houchins. Motion carried. Next meeting will be held at Swan Lake Memorial Garden's Office Complex on November 13, 2025, at 3:00 P.M.

Davis Bush -President

Bernadette Dimke-Secretary

Roxanne DeRolf -Recorder

Old Business

The Michigan City Sanitary Sewer Extension project has been completed. Swan Lake Memorial Gardens no longer operates on a septic system but still operates on a well for water.

New Business

With fall approaching, Greenwood Cemetery needs a new leaf blower.

Superintendent Loniewski has received 2 new quotes. Frontier Lawn \$520.00 and Riggs \$599.99. Superintendent Loniewski recommended Frontier Lawn \$520.00. A motion to accept Frontier Lawn for \$520.00 by Cat Houchins. Second by Bernadette Dimke. Motion carried.

Superintendent Loniewski explained to the Cemetery Board that the Cemetery Department needs a lot of lot markers. Lot markers are in the ground throughout the cemetery marking the lot numbers. There are 2 ways of replacement: you can order the individual lot marker or have a lot marker stamp kit and do your own lot marking. Superintendent Loniewski recommends a lot marker stamp kit, two quotes have been received. Holland Supply \$859.95 and American Cemetery Supply \$750.00. Superintendent Loniewski recommends American Cemetery Supply \$750.00. A motion to accept American Cemetery Supply for \$750.00 by Cat Houchins. Second by Vera Gaston. Motion carried.

Public Comment

none

Greenwood water shut off on October 20th.

Public reminder: Greenwood Cemetery water will shut off on October 20, 2025.

• Serenity well update.

A discussion was held on the update on the Serenity Well project. Superintendent Loniewski reminded the Board that the electrical contractor and well contractor completed the installation of the new well. Superintendent Loniewski built a new shed to house over the new well for protection; all lines will be winterized before the first frost.

Burials -

Greenwood - 7 Cremains 3 Full Burials 1 Entombment Total 11

Swan Lake - 7 Cremains 4 Full Burials 0 Entombment Total 11

Total 22

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

• Swan Lake edging project update.

Superintendent Loniewski updated the Board on the edging project at Swan Lake Memorial Gardens. Superintendent Loniewski would like to commend Anthony "AC" Coleman, a seasonal employee from Greenwood Cemetery, for the amazing job he is doing. The Swan Lake Memorial edging project is 80% done.

• Swan Lake entrance damage.

Superintendent Loniewski notified the Board Swan Lake Memorial Garden entrance grass was damaged when a semi-truck made a U-turn. All the grass has been re-seeded. Hopefully, in the future, there will be an option for cameras.

• Fall clean-up October 15th-22nd.

Public reminder: fall clean-up is Wednesday, October 15, 2025, through Wednesday, October 22, 2025, for both Greenwood Cemetery and Swan Lake Memorial Gardens. New signage for Swan Lake Memorial Gardens will be posted for all vases to be turned down on November 15, 2025.

Superintendent Report:

Approval of embalming requirements for mausoleums.

A discussion was held on approval of embalming requirements. Superintendent Loniewski suggests creating a rule for the Cemetery Department that all bodies need to be embalmed for all vaults in all mausoleums. A motion to create a rule requiring mandatory embalming for all mausoleums in the Michigan City Cemetery Department by Stephen Janus. Second by Cat Houchins. Motion carried.

Swan Lake exterior remodeling complete.

Swan Lake Memorial Gardens exterior remodeling is 99.9% complete. The only thing left is the exterior trim around the windows to be painted. There will be energy cost reduction with the new windows and less highway noise.

• Swan Lake muskrat infestation/erosion update.

McCoy Wildlife has been monitoring the muskrat at Swan Lake Memorial Gardens. The contract will end on October 10, 2025.

• Community Activation Grant.

Superintendent Loniewski updated the Cemetery Board that the Community Activation Grant must be completed by March 2026. The Board discussed on September 11, 2025, a board meeting for all signage to be done in the Cemetery Department.

Superintendent Loniewski is asking for a motion to accept. A motion to accept the idea of redoing all signage for the Community Activation Grant by Renee Bauer. Second by Bernadette Dimke. Motion carried.

October 9, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Cemetery Trustees of Michigan City was called to order by President Davis Bush on October 9, 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

Bernadette Dimke Cat Houchins

Renee Bauer

Stephen Janus Supt. Loniewski

Minutes of September 11, 2025 –as received in person. Upon a motion to approve by Cat Houchins. Second by Renee Bauer. Motion carried.

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

Upon a motion to approve by Stephen Janus. Second by Bernadette Dimke. 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.