

## **Green Mount Cemetery Commission Minutes**

**Date: April 13, 2026**

**Location: City Manager's Conference Room**

Minutes from April 13, 2026

Attended by Jason Kass, Patrick Healy, Barbara Smith, Darragh Ellerson, Danelle Harris- Burnett, Linda Hogan and Heather Graves, Acting Financial Director.

The meeting was called to order at noon.

Heather Graves was in for a meet and greet and explained that she has been very busy and has not reviewed any budgets yet. Patrick asked Heather about money issues in Montpelier. She said that monies are being issued for infrastructure and equipment and only used for necessary needs. An upcoming city expenditure will be to rent a street sweeper. Patrick said that the City and the Cemetery sometimes share use of equipment but sometimes it doesn't time out right. The need for sharing equipment often comes up in Monday department meetings which Patrick attends. Heather said that in the past there wasn't much sharing but these days are a must. Heather had to leave to attend a meeting.

Patrick shared a hard copy of an invoice for GMC to explain the process of the several steps or scenarios needed to get an invoice finally signed off. He also said that burials must now be paid in cash to the City and the City now accepts cards for payment.

Jason asked that anyone retiring from the Cemetery or Commission give ample notice so a replacement may be trained and given history points.

The fiscal year begins in July so GMC needs to keep an eye on expenses until the new year begins.

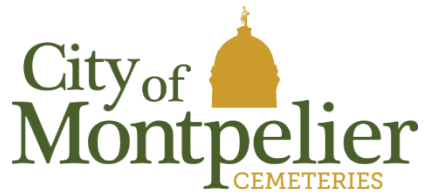
Barb asked about the investment account. Patrick and Jason are going to be meeting with Mayor Gwinn to discuss..

Patrick presented the Directors Report. Recent burials include Owen Bradley, June Branna and Virginia Steepman.

On the subject of trees, it cost \$10,000 for the tree removal work, any chips from downed trees are used by GMC for mulch and green burials. New oaks will be planted on April 10th, Earth Day. Patrick picked up the donation of many trees at the UVM Horticultural Farm in South Burlington. These include:

2- Mystic Red Buckeye

4 - 89489 Redbud



2 - 89526 Quercus Kindred Spirit – Tall columnar Oak

2 - Valley Forge Elms

3 - Lindens

4 - Salix Discolor ( ordering 4 - hopefully we will get both male and female)

The Children's Service will be held on a Saturday in June. Commissioners were encouraged to attend.

Jason handed out hard copies of needs for the chapel and vault building. There is a need to figure out priorities. Drainage under the building is badly needed.

There was discussion about the scavenger hunt possibility. Danielle will follow up.

Next meeting is May 11th at noon at GMC.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Hogan  
Secretary