



To: Mayor and Town Council

From: Mark C. Meyers, Town Manager

Date: March 6, 2026

Subject: Proposed Cemetery Rates Adjustments

### **Background**

Sexton Carolyn Metsler has proposed adjusting cemetery fees and charges to more accurately reflect the cost of providing services. I'm not sure anyone can recall the last time it was done. She compared rates with surrounding cemeteries, and our rates are significantly lower than our neighbor's. I concur with her recommendations (attached and partially summarized below). In fact, I think we could increase non-resident plot rates beyond her recommendation.

Current/proposed resident plot:                   \$ 200 / \$400

Current/proposed non-resident plot:           \$ 300 / \$900

Resident open/close fees would increase from \$150-\$200 to \$400-\$600. Non-resident open/close fees would increase from \$200-\$250 to \$750-\$1,000.

I would like to discuss them with Town Council at the March 11, 2026, work meeting.

In the meantime, I'm reviewing how much additional revenue the new fees would generate and how that will assist in the continued maintenance of the cemetery.

### **Recommendation**

Discuss adjusting cemetery rates in preparation for formal approval at the regular March 17, 2026, Town Council meeting.