# CEMETERY REGULATIONS FOR PINE GROVE CEMETERY

### **MANAGEMENT**

- 1. Pine Grove Cemetery is owned and operated by the Village of Cameron.
- 2. The Village of Cameron Parks/Cemetery Committee (PCC) reviews and regulates the rules and regulations of the Pine Grove Cemetery. The PCC reports to the Cameron Village Board.
- 3. The Village of Cameron, Public Works Department shall be responsible for the operating and maintenance of the cemetery.
- 4. The Village of Cameron, Public Works Director shall be the Sexton of cemetery.
- 5. All business shall be transacted through the Cameron Village Hall Clerk's Office, including, but not limited to lost and found articles, complaints, and any suggestions.

# LOTS AND LOT SALES

- 1. No lot shall be used for any other purpose than the burial of the human dead and the placing of appropriate markers as memorials.
- Persons desiring to purchase a lot or grave shall call the Cameron Village Hall to make an appointment. The Village Clerk or Deputy Clerk shall assist those persons interested in making a grave selection.
- 3. When the lot or grave is paid in full, deed for the plot will be issued to purchaser by the Barron County Register of Deeds
- 4. The transfer of lots or parts thereof to another party must be reported to the Cameron Village Hall before said party will be allowed to use the transferred property. No person shall be recognized as owner or part owner of a lot unless his or her name appears on the cemetery records or they have proof that they are legal heirs.
- 5. The purchase of lots for the purpose of erecting a mausoleum or any above ground structure must be approved by the Parks/Cemetery Committee and the Village Board.

### VISITOR RULES

- 1. Cemetery visitors will be allowed in the cemetery from sunrise to sunset. Any person(s) found loitering on the grounds during closed hours will be subject to arrest.
- 2. All visitors are reminded that the cemetery is considered to be sacred ground for the dead, and that a strict observance of all properties due such a place will be required.
- 3. Any persons disturbing the tranquility of the cemetery by noise or other improper conduct will be asked to leave the grounds or be subject to arrest.
- 4. No animals (pets) will be allowed in the cemetery at any time. The only exceptions will be licensed or registered service animals.
- 5. No motor vehicles other than street legal vehicles will be allowed in the cemetery at any time.
- 6. No motor vehicles shall be operated in the cemetery in excess of 10 miles per hour.
- 7. No motor vehicle will be allowed off designated roadways at any time with the exception of the cemetery officials, monument setters and vault company employees.
- 8. No picnics, parties or other similar gatherings will be allowed in the cemetery at any time.
- 9. The Village of Cameron or its employees assume no liability for property damage or acts beyond its ability to reasonably control during normal business hours.
- 10. The throwing of rubbish on driveways or plotted areas is strictly prohibited.
- 11. Law enforcement authorities and military personnel on official duty shall be the only persons allowed to possess weapons on cemetery property.

## PRIVILEGES AND RESTRICTIONS FOR LOT OWNERS

- Perpetual care of cemetery which covers mowing, tree trimming, spring raking and noxious weed trims will be assumed by Village of Cameron employees only, unless permission is granted to volunteer groups to do civic projects by the Sexton or the Village Board.
- 2. No person, except Village of Cameron employees or authorized contractors will be allowed to disturb any grave markers or sod on any lot or grave.
- 3. All lot or grave owners wishing to make improvements must consult the Village Hall or cemetery Sexton before any improvements are made.
- 4. The Village of Cameron employees reserve the right to enter upon any lot for the purpose of trimming or removing any tree or shrub as its affect upon the natural appearance of the cemetery in general. Trees will be removed when

- they are deemed dead, diseased or detrimental to any adjacent lot, monument, walkway, or driveway because of roots, branches or otherwise.
- 5. No tree or shrub shall be planted, removed, cut down or trimmed, within the border of any lot or grave, without the permission of the cemetery sexton.
- 6. Any in ground self standing memorial are not to exceed 72" tall. Flowers, whether real or artificial must be placed within a sturdy container off the ground (within plant stands, a minimum of 12" and maximum of 48" to the bottom of the container) placed in-line with gravestone, attached to gravestone, or on the ground placed beside the stone and in-line with other stones to allow for mowing/maintenance. Pot size is not to exceed 14" in diameter.
- Memorials and solar lights (vigil lights) will be placed in-line with the gravestone. Memorials and solar lights
  must be removed when they become unsightly or broken.
- 8. At no time will fences, barriers, retaining walls or any other obstructions be allowed in the cemetery.
- 9. Winter memorials will be allowed only if attached directly to the headstone or in an above ground stand.
- 10. Unsightly memorials (e.g.-faded flowers, broken solar lights) removed by cemetery workers from gravesites will be placed in an inconspicuous holding area for one month prior to disposal. Cemetery workers will document items removed from gravesites with a picture to be kept on file at the Village Hall.
- 11. Fall cleanup will be from October 16 through October 31. Winter cleanup will be from April 1 through April 30. American flags are exempt from these restrictions.

#### BURIAL RULES

- 1. No grave will be laid out or dug and closed by anyone other than a designated cemetery official.
- 2. No interments shall take place without all laws having been complied with.
- 3. Two adult interments in one grave (one on top of another) will not be permitted. An infant child or cremains will be allowed at the foot end of an adult grave. Not more than three (3) cremated remains are permitted in one grave space.
- 4. Interment will not be allowed unless in a cement or steel vault, excluding cremations.
- 5. No cremains shall be scattered on any lot or cemetery property at any time.
- 6. The funeral director or designated official is required to be in attendance at every interment.
- 7. Any structure, display or inscription placed on any lot deemed by the maintenance officials to be offensive, improper or injurious to the appearance of the lot or grounds, maintenance officials shall have the right to enter such lot and remove such offensive or improper objects.
- 8. Notice given as soon as possible would be appreciated for interment orders to cemetery official. Minimum notice should be 48 hours prior to interment.
- 9. Fresh floral arrangements and floral pieces will be removed as soon as they become unsightly.
- 10. Any person engaged in work while in the vicinity of a burial must suspend their labor during the religious service at the grave.
- 11. Disinterment of a body will not be made without proper authority in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin. All permits must be presented to cemetery officials prior to disinterment so that proper arrangements can be made.

### MONUMENT RULES

- 1. No monument, foundation or marker will be allowed to be placed on the lot unless the grave site is paid for in full.
- 2. Monuments, grave markers and foundations will be set only by reputable monument companies or cemetery officials according to the rules specified in these regulations.
- All permanent headstones or foot stones must have at least a 4 inch margin around the base of said stone. All
  monuments must be set in line with other monuments so far as possible as directed by the cemetery sexton.
- 4. Stones or monuments once placed on their foundations shall not be removed except by permission of the cemetery sexton.
- 5. All markers placed on the east end (foot end) of the grave must be flush to the nominal ground level. At no time will above ground markers be allowed on the east end of a grave.
- 6. All monuments shall be of good quality materials built by reputable monument companies. No vertical joints will be permitted as part of the monument structure. All foundations for monuments and other structures must be of sufficient depth into the ground in order to support it. No monument or marker shall be erected until the foundation has been approved by the cemetery maintenance officials. The Village of Cameron reserves the right to place a temporary marker on a grave until the permanent marker is placed.
- 7. The Village of Cameron reserves the right to refuse permission for the erection of any monument not in keeping with the good appearance of the grounds.
- 8. Persons engaged in placing vaults, monuments or other structures are prohibited from attaching ropes, cables or chains to trees, shrubs or other structures within the cemetery.

- 9. Workmen engaged in placing stones or monuments shall provide suitable boards on the ground for the truck to run over. Immediately after the job is finished all boards, rubbish and excess dirt must be removed and the grounds left in good clean condition comparable to prior when the work had begun at the grave site.
- 10. While responsible care will be given to protect monuments and all markers, the Village of Cameron will not be responsible for loss or damage to markers or monuments erected within the cemetery.
- 11. Any variances to these rules must be brought before the Village Board for approval. These revised cemetery regulations supersedes all previous documents.

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