



HOPE CEMETERY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday March 24, 2025 – 4:00 P.M.
Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Administrative Office
Meeting Room A
50 Officer Manny Familia Way Worcester, MA 01605

Or

If you choose to use the Microsoft Teams platform:

- 1) Go to www.teams.com
- 2) Enter Meeting ID#: 267 723 957 416
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If technological problems interrupt the virtual meeting component, the meeting will continue in-person.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Attendance (Roll Call)
3. Acceptance of Minutes for the February 3, 2025 (Table) Roll Call
4. To request a reasonable accommodation or interpretation or submit written comments or questions in advance of the meeting, please contact the Hope Cemetery by email at Hopecemetery@worcesterma.gov. Please note that interpretation requests must be received no later than 48 hours in advance of the meeting. Para solicitar una interpretacion razonable, o enviar comentarios o preguntas por escrito por favor comuniquese con la oficina de la Division de Parques, Recreo & Cementerio por correo electronico a Hopecemetery@worcesterma.gov. Por favor note que las solicitudes de interpretacion deberan ser enviadas 48 horas antes de la reunion.

5. Public Participation – Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021 and in order to ensure active, public engagement, the City of Worcester currently allows for both in person and remote participation at the Hope Cemetery Commission meetings. To partake in the “Public Participation” section of this meeting, you may join us directly within the 50 Officer Manny Familia Way Meeting Room A, follow the information above to join via the Microsoft Teams application or dial the direct line as indicated. If you would like to raise your hand when in the meeting as a call-in user, you may dial *5.
 6. Assistant Commissioners Report (See Report Topics Below)
 7. Old Business
 - a. Review of Commissioner Curewitz and Commissioner Faucher request and Commission approval of prioritize Hope Cemetery Capital Infrastructure and Rehab projects for FY2026.
 8. New Business:

Agenda items must be submitted three (3) business days before each Commission Meeting with the subject line “Agenda Item” to Hopecemetery@worcesterma.gov.

 - a. NA
 9. Tabled Items:
 - a. NA
 10. Tentative Date of Next Meeting:
 - May 5, 2025
 - June 9, 2025
 8. Meeting Adjourned (Roll Call)
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ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

1. Friends Of Hope Cemetery - Update
 - a. Signage
 - b. Cemetery Plantings
 - c. Events
 - d. Sound System
 - e. Mausoleum
2. Genealogical - NA
3. Compost Site - NA
4. Water System - NA
5. Hope Cemetery Records - NA
6. Perpetual Care Fund – City Treasurer - NA
7. Rules and Regulation Changes - NA
8. Lot Sale Fee Changes - NA
9. Interment & Associated Fees - NA
10. Fiscal Year Budget - Update
11. Fiscal Year Capital Budget - Update
12. Donations - NA
13. Monuments and Mausoleums - NA
 - a. Discussion on new cremation burial options
14. Section Development -
 - a. Section 39 Possible Columbarium NA
 - Location – See Master Plan on the City Web Site
 - RFP
 - Design
 - Timeline
15. Building Rehab - Update
 - a. Barn
 - Reports – Submitted by the Friends of Hope Cemetery (2-10-2007)
 - Grants
 - Historical Commission
 - Plans of storage
 - b. Admin
16. Condition of Hope – Update
 - a. Sheriff's Community Outreach Program
17. Hope Cemetery Master Plan Approved by City Council 10-10-17.
 - a. <https://www.worcesterma.gov/parks/hope-cemetery>
18. Misc. -
 - a. Productivity Reports
 - b. Staff
 - c. City Council Orders
 - NA
 - d. Articles
 - e. Other