

-- Highlights of Board Meetings Minutes of Oak Hill Cemetery —
(since 1955)

- 16 May 1955 - Tool shed was shingled and painted (\$58.84 for materials - J. F. Anderson Lumber Company.)
- 26 Feb 1959 - A new map of the cemetery was examined by the Board.
- 26 Feb 1959 - By-law revisions were necessary, but no documented action was taken.
- 09 Jan 1960 - All regular future burials require a burial vault or cement box.
- 25 Feb 1960 - All flag holders and other forms of decorations must be removed by June 8, 1961.
- 02 Feb 1963 - Pipes were to be laid from the tank at the windmill to the west part of the cemetery. (May 1964)
- 09 Nov 1963 - Lots on the hill were established as being 20x20. It was also discussed to close the road west of the windmill to convert into burial lots.
- 12 Jun 1964 - It was recommended that plastic pipe be used to carry water from the windmill to the west lots.
- 19 Nov 1964 - The Articles of Incorporation were read which were recently drawn.
- 19 Nov 1964 - Veterans flag holder markers were to be returned to the graves.
- 14 Jan 1965 - It was agreed to repair the windmill in the spring.
- 20 May 1966 - By-Laws of the Oak Hill Cemetery Association were approved.
- 02 Dec 1966 - It was decided that blocks on the hill are to be marked starting with the letter "D."
- 22 Apr 1969 - Motion was made to blacktop a 9 foot width strip up the main road for 35¢ a running foot, motion failed.
- 12 Dec 1969 - It was decide to have the Town of Nashua seal coat the road up the hill for \$315.00.
- 28 Oct 1971 - A clause was added to the by-laws that a trustee's term will be held over until the next election.
- Aug 1972 - First burial in the New Section, that of Joan Hurlbut.
- 24 Oct 1972 - The City of Nashua asked about keeping the cemetery gate closed. They and the county sheriff had agreed to help with the closing.
- 24 Oct 1972 - It was decided not to replace water pipes as they go out.
- 24 Oct 1972 - It was agreed to change the annual meeting date from January to the 4th Wednesday in April.
- 25 Oct 1978 - It was agreed to take down the windmill and cap the pipes for a pump to be installed at a later date.
- 03 May 1979 - A map for the new hill section of the cemetery was displayed by Claude Roberts. Burials will be with head to the north.
- 03 May 1979 - It was discussed to install a pump at the site of the old windmill. Also, should faucets and pipes be removed?
- June 1979 - New evergreen trees were planted on the North end of the new plots on the hill top.
- 02 Nov 1983 - Rebekahs /Odd Fellows memorial was placed on the Soldiers' Monument block.
- 24 Apr 1985 - Twelve spruce trees were donated by Ray Usher for planting on the new section on the hill.
- May 1985 - The drive up the hill was blacktopped by Prairie Road Builders Inc. (\$1816.56)
- 1986 - Flag poles were installed beside the driveway to the cemetery inside the cemetery gate.
- 1987 - The tool shed was reshingled (Labor & Materials \$908.78)
- 25 Oct 1988 - Requirement for stone foundations established. 12" concrete on each end of stone with 5" from front and back to allow for flowers and mower buffer.
All footings must be 2 feet thick.

12 April 1989 - A list of memorial trust accounts established and will be decorated by the Association for Memorial Day.

26 Oct 1989 - It was decided to move the annual meeting to March.

26 Oct 1989 - The Board was informed that after repairing the pump on the well at a cost of \$118.34, the well went dry.

18 Oct 1990 - The Louis Hill Estate established a \$94,000.00 Trust account for cemetery grounds improvements.

21 Mar 1990 - A water hydrant and water line was installed on the south side of the cemetery. The Town & Country Club allowed the Association to tap into their water supply (Cost to cemetery, \$1020.70)

1990 - More blacktopping done, extending the work from 1985. (\$1270.46)

18 Oct 1990 - New brick columns and gate will replace the old gate and arch. Two metal plaques will also be installed, one on each of the new columns. (\$1200.00)

03 Apr 1991 - It was agreed to install a new chain link fence from the south side of the care taker shed, around the boundary of the cemetery. Three walk thru gates are included in the job. This also includes the fence by the main gate. (Iowa Fence Masters, \$5800.00)

08 April 1992 - The board established a regulation that only TWO cremains can be buried in a single burial space. If a casket burial already exists in that location, it must be buried elsewhere.

23 March 1993 - A 4" layer of blacktop will be placed on driveway from Ford St to the storage shed. (\$9400.00)

21 April 1994 - Association will provide new rope for the flagpoles and the Legion/VFW will install the ropes.

27 Apr 1995 - It was carried to have blacktop laid around the new section of the cemetery (\$7350.00)

14 Nov 1996 - The culvert under the driveway was dug up and replaced (\$130)

03 Nov 1998 - Association requires Sexton to bury/be present for the burial of all cremains.

06 May 1999 - All plant holders, metal makers, flag holders, etc. must be put in the cement foundation.

June 1999 - City of Nashua received easement for buried sewer & water lines next to the cemetery driveway for new housing development north of the golf course.

28 Oct 1999 - Trees between the gate and Ford Street need replaced due to damage from installing new water and sewer lines installed along cemetery driveway.

May 2000 - Condemnation proceedings began on several grave spaces.

Oct 2000 - Board created policy that no cremation burials occur between November 15th and April 15th.

May 2001 - Ropes again were replaced on flagpoles.

30 Apr 2003 - Cremation lots were established on the west fence area, becoming "Row 23." No full burials will be allowed in this row.

May 26, 2003 - The 100th Anniversary of the original Veterans Monument dedication occurred.

June 2003 - Tool shed was repainted and windows were repaired.

July 2003 - Cemetery burials records were computerized and published in book form.

16 Oct 2003 - Flagpoles were scraped, sanded, primed and painted with 2 coats of paint (\$1251.90/18 poles @ \$65) New ropes were installed the following year.

May 2004 - Storm sewer installed in southeast corner of the cemetery to drain pooling water after heavy rains and spring snow melt.

22 & 26 June 2005 - To commemorate Nashua's Sesquicentennial, a cemetery walk of founding fathers of Nashua was held at Oak Hill.

2009 - H. Buell Watson - Generous donation made to Oak Hill Cemetery Association.

Fall 2013 - Website created and Oak Hill cemetery went on-line.

2014 - The Oak Hill Memorial Trust was established and the Oak Hill Perpetual Care Fund was reorganized.

3 Apr 2021 - The board amended cemetery by-laws, adjusting the board to 5 members + the Board President, with the same restriction as before; the President not having any voting authority. Appoint new board members to an initial 4 year term with an additional 2 years for each term served after.

2021 - The Rich and Alice Grandy estate left a very generous contribution to the Oak Hill Memorial Trust.