

Town of Island Falls
TOWN OF ISLAND FALLS CEMETERY ORDINANCE

ARTICLE I. TITLE & PURPOSE.

1.1. TITLE.

This document shall be known and may be cited as the "Town of Island Falls Cemetery Ordinance".

1.2. PURPOSE.

This ordinance is enacted to manage and preserve the tracts of land known as the Island Falls Cemeteries and to protect the rights of lot holders while maintaining the public's health and safety and to assist the Town in equitable implementation of these provisions.

ARTICLE II. GENERAL

2.1. SITE DESCRIPTIONS.

Ministerial lands historically belonging to the Town have been set apart by the Town for the burial of human remains. The three (3) divisions of Island Falls Cemeteries shall be known by the following:

- A. Historical-Section A-East
- B. Section B-West Front
- C. Section C-West Back

2.2. SUPERINTENDENT.

The Town Manager of the Town of Island Falls shall be the superintendent of the Cemetery; tenure and removal being that of the Town Manager position.

2.2.1. Duties-The superintendent shall be knowledgeable in all aspects of management of the Cemeteries and shall see that ordinances and rules are enforced. He/she may appoint a deputy superintendent and a sextant and is authorized to employ staff as needed. The Deputy Superintendent of the Island Falls Cemetery accepts payment for graves/lots at the town office and records and maintains information obtained in the transaction.

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2.3. TRUSTEES.

Consisting of 5 members, shall be known as the Cemetery Committee and shall be appointed by the Town Manager for a term of 3 years. They will meet at least quarterly and may be called upon by the superintendent to act in an advisory capacity.

2.4. ESTABLISHMENT OF CEMETERY GRAVES AND LOTS.

2.4.1. Cemetery Layout-The superintendent shall cause the town cemeteries to be laid out in ranges, divided by walks; the ranges to be divided into lots, the lots into graves and the graves numbered and a plan of the same to be made and filed with the Town. All burials shall conform to the ranges and divisions. All gravesites shall be marked with a permanent grave pin in the ground, situated at the lower left corner of each site.

NOTE: While it is not required by law, concrete liners for graves are encouraged.

2.4.2. Future Sites-In the yet to be developed Section C-West Back, only flush with the ground markers or memorials will be allowed.

2.5. Cemetery Fees.

Fee Structure:

(1)Single Grave Plot	\$200.00
(2)Double Grave Plot	\$400.00
(3)Triple Grave Plot	\$600.00
(4)Quad Grave Plot	\$800.00

2.5.1 Perpetual Care, Usage-Income derived from payment of lot fees is devoted to permanent (perpetual) care of the cemetery as a whole and of individual lots. Assurance is made that veteran's graves sites will be maintained to the current state statutes. Individual lots are cared for in a manner that assures safety and reasonable attractiveness. Upkeep of the town cemetery lands will be an ongoing effort according to needs and seasons. The Town of Island Falls will not be

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responsible for repair or replacement of gravestones/memorials damaged through criminal action, vandalism or weather.

2.6. GRAVE OPENINGS AND CLOSINGS.

The person requesting the opening and closing of a grave will be responsible for the employing of person (s) or company doing the work as well as the payment for those services. The opening and closing of a grave will be in accordance with this ordinance and the provisions set forth in subsection (1) and (2) below.

1. The contracted person (s) or company shall contact the Town Clerk prior to any action.
2. The contracted person (s) or company will complete and deliver a completed burial permit form to the Island Falls Town Office detailing the following:
 - a. The Name and address of the insured contractor performing the service.
 - b. The Name of the person(s) being buried.
 - c. The Name, range, section and lot number of the section of the cemetery in which the burial will take place.
 - d. Date of burial and type of burial (traditional or cremation).

2.7. CEMETERY RULES, ADOPTION & MODIFICATION.

Cemetery Rules will be posted annually in the town report. The Cemetery Committee reserves the right to recommend modifications, additions and deletions to the rules and regulations; said changes being subject to approval of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE III. REVISIONS, SEVERABILITY, & EFFECTIVE DATE.

3.1. ORDINANCE REVISIONS.

This document was prepared in compliance with ME REVISED STATUTES 1071, SECTION 1101-A SUBSECTION 2, ARTICLE 2 and may be revised as those statutes change.

3.2. SEVERABILITY.


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The invalidity of any provisions of this ordinance or cemetery rules and regulations shall not invalidate any other part.

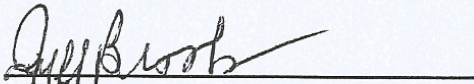
3.3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

The effective date of this ordinance shall be when enacted by the Town of Island Falls.

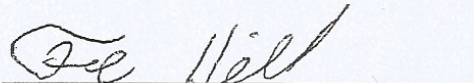
Certified this 10th day of February 2016 by the undersigned municipal officers of the Town of Island Falls, to Jutta Beyer, Town Clerk.



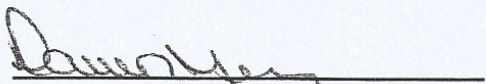
Paige Coville, Chair



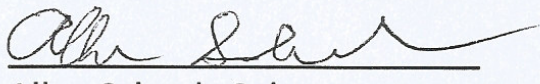
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Frank Hill, Selectman

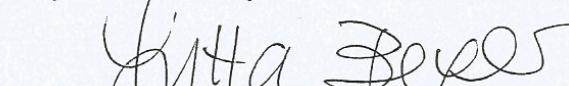


Dawn Merry, Selectman



Allen Schenk, Selectman

Attest: A true copy of an ordinance entitled "Town of Island Falls Cemetery Ordinance" as certified to me by the municipal officers of Island Falls on the 10th day of February, 2016.



Jutta Beyer
Town Clerk

Date Enacted: 04/06/2016

Town Meeting Votes: 41 Yes 21 No