

**VERNON TOWNSHIP
SHIAWASSEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH SCHEDULE OF CEMETERY RATES

RESOLUTION NO. 01-2025

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Vernon, Shiawassee County, Michigan, held at the Vernon Township Hall, 6801 Durand Road, Durand, MI 48429, on the 10th day of February 2025, at 7:00 p.m., local time.

PRESENT: Supervisor Bert DeClerg, Clerk Susan Bannister, Treasurer Mary Jane Edwards, Trustee Janet Sprague, Trustee Nathan Charles.

ABSENT: None

The following resolution was offered by Susan_Bannister and supported by Janet_Sprague:

WHEREAS, the Township has adopted Ordinance No. 26, the Vernon Township Cemetery Ordinance to protect the public health, safety and general welfare by establishing regulations relating to the operation, control, maintenance and management of cemeteries owned, controlled or operated by Vernon Township, Shiawassee County, Michigan, and to provide penalties for the violation of said Ordinance, pursuant to Act 215 of 1937; and

WHEREAS, the Cemetery Ordinance provides that the Township Board is authorized to establish by resolution a fee schedule, including without limitation, for the purchase, opening, or closing of a burial space; interment of ashes; and transfer or repurchase of cemetery lot certificates; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance distinguishes between taxpayers and non-residents, in part because the cemetery is funded by the Township General Fund and thus reduced resident fees are available to persons subject to Vernon Township ad-valorem tax obligations; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board finds it is in the best interests of the citizens of Vernon Township to establish a schedule of cemetery rates for the administration of the Ordinance to accommodate costs associated with cemetery operation and ensure needed reserve funds for, among other things, ongoing cemetery maintenance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, be it resolved by the Township Board of Vernon Township, Shiawassee County, Michigan, as follows:

Section 1: Schedule of Cemetery Rates. The Township hereby adopts the following Schedule of Cemetery Fees pursuant to Sections 5 and 6 of the Cemetery Ordinance.

**VERNON TOWNSHIP
SCHEDULE OF CEMETERY FEES**

	RESIDENT or TAXPAYER	NON-RESIDENT
<i>Cemetery Lot Certificate (Purchase)</i>		
Per each lot	\$ 750.00	\$ 1000.00
<i>BURIAL SPACE OPENING</i>		
Mon-Fri 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	\$ 550.00	\$ 550.00
Mon-Fri after 3:00 p.m.	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Saturday, Opening	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00
Sunday Opening	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00
Holiday Opening	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Winter Burial (November - March)	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
<i>CREMATION BURIAL</i>		
Monday – Sunday	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Holidays	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Winter Burial (November - March	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
REMOVAL or REINTERMENT		
– April-November	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
– December-March	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Cemetery Lot Certificate – Transfer Fee	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00

Section 2: Definition of Resident. Persons subject to Vernon Township ad-valorem tax obligations, e.g., individuals who reside within Vernon Township or who reside in the Village of Vernon, may utilize the “Resident” or “Taxpayer” rate of this fee schedule.

