

RESOLUTION NO. 2016 - 01

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A POLICY PERTAINING TO THE BURIAL OF INDIGENT PERSONS,  
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW LONDON, HURON COUNTY, OHIO:

Section 1. That this Council does hereby approve and adopt the following policy pertaining to the burial of indigent persons at Village expense:

**POLICY CONCERNING INDIGENT BURIAL**

Whereas, Revised Code Section 9.15 creates a legal obligation to provide for the burial or cremation of indigent residents at public expense, Now, Therefore,  
Be it Resolved that the Council of the Village of New London, Ohio, with the concurrence of the New London Cemetery Board, does hereby establish and adopt the following policy to provide for the burial or indigent residents:

(a) Interment of persons meeting the requirements of Ohio R.C 9.15 shall be done only with prior authorization of the Chairman of the Cemetery Board.

(b) The following items will be considered appropriate for payment by the Village for professional services rendered by funeral directors to prepare persons for burial in accordance with the rules and regulations established by the Cemetery Board:

- (1) the cost of cremation at a crematorium;
- (2) the cost of delivery of the body and pick-up of the remains of the decedent;
- (3) the cost of a lot and arrangements for burial;
- (4) a stone or concrete marker (not to exceed the cost of a 10 inch x 18 inch flat marker) on which the person's name and age, if known, and date of death shall be inscribed will also be provided by the Cemetery Board.

(c) Before any interments or payments are made pursuant to this section, the funeral director must submit the following to the Chairman of the Cemetery Board.

- (1) Three copies of a statement for the amount requested to be paid by the Cemetery Board pursuant to subsection (b) hereof;
- (2) Two copies of the death certificate and one copy of the burial permit; and
- (3) An original certificate of indigency form completed by the next of kin, or if not available, the most knowledgeable individual concerning the affairs of the deceased, for the purpose of determining whether the deceased qualifies to be buried at the Village's expense.

(d) Should it be ascertained, after any payment by the Village pursuant to subsection (b) hereof, that such payment was made for a decedent for whom the Village did not have such responsibility, the Village shall be entitled to any benefits payable on behalf of such decedent by any person or agency who had the responsibility to pay burial benefits, up to an amount totaling the payment made pursuant to subsection (b) hereof plus the fees for the grave space and the opening and closing.

Section 2. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, and for the welfare of the citizens of the Village, and for the further reason that it is necessary to that this measure become effective immediately in order to set forth the Village's policy for any pending interments, and that, provided it receives the majority vote of two-thirds or more of those elected to Council, this Resolution shall therefore take effect and be in force immediately from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, and otherwise it shall take effect at the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: 01-11-2016

  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
FISCAL OFFICER