

The August 20, 2026 meeting of the Elkhart Cemetery Association was held at 6:30 P.M. at City Hall with Chip Mathis presiding. Others present were Janette Owen, Karen Carney, Jill Edler and Barb Duncan.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and the Treasurer reported the following:

Balance at the last meeting	\$2,342.00
Add: Memorial Day donation	194.00
May, June, July interest	14.21
Individual donation	100.00
7/31 Balance	\$2,650.21

OLD BUSINESS:

Update on the plots east of the east drive is that the Council has approved this project. Jill felt that there was a permit that needed to be recorded before going forward and she will check on that. Four copies of the map with Veteran flag locations need to be provided to Chip, Ankeny Legion, the City and John and Janette. The Ankeny Legion member who puts out the flags will wait until Veterans Day to remove them. Once the flags are removed, we need to check the condition of the holders and note those needing to be replaced. Thanks and appreciation to Dave Baker for providing the sound system for our Memorial Day services. Barb will be sending a Thank You letter to the Sandquist family for their donation.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chip was going to work with Marissa Butler on updating the locate form so all the information fits on one page. Jill was going to see about getting the bushes in the two flower beds trimmed; visit with Katie regarding the pricing of new plots and also adding back into the price of plots, the provision to include those residents/relatives in the fire district; and then Jill also was going to check with Ron Cornwell on the specifics of the burial of George Hart.

Following are topics brought up to be discussed later: ground level or above ground headstones; consider saving east row of plots for future individual burial spaces labelled as A, B, C and D; and the natural flow of water to the area north of East Walnut

Dates of Coming Events	Next Meeting	November 19, 2026
	Clean-up Day, Spring	April 24, 2027
	Fall	September 25, 2027
	Memorial Day Service	May 31, 2027
	Rest of year meetings	February 18, 2027
		May 20, 2027
		August 19, 2027
		November 18, 2027

BURIALS SINCE LAST MEETING:

Wm. Riley Teller buried May 21
Linda Howard buried June 6
Eddie Pritchard buried July 29

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 19, at 6:30 P.M. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Barbara Duncan, Secretary-Treasurer