

CONSTITUTION

AND

BY-LAWS

OF THE

WADENA
CEMETERY
ASSOCIATION

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Wadena Cemetery Association

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ARTICLE I.—BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The Board of Trustees of Wadena Cemetery Association shall consist of three members, who shall be elected at the annual meeting of said association to be held on the third Monday in August of each and every year as provided in the articles of incorporation, viz: That the associate members of the Association, together with the owners of Lots in the Cemetery or Cemeteries of the Association shall be eligible to vote at the Annual Meeting of said Association. If there is more than one proprietor of any such lot, then such one of the proprietors as the joint proprietors shall designate to represent such lot, or any person who is named as an associate in said certificate, as said certificate shall provide, may vote at such election; and the persons receiving the highest number of votes given at such election, shall be declared elected trustees. Provided, however, that no person shall be eligible to the office of Trustee of said Association unless he or she, as the case may be, be an associate member thereof, or become a member thereof by election thereafter.

ARTICLE II.—ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Association for the election of Trustees shall be held in the Court Room at the Court House in the Village of Wadena, on the third Monday of August in each year at seven and one-half o'clock in the afternoon.

Notice of the time and object of said meeting shall be given by the president or secretary by publishing the same for three successive times in one of the leading newspapers of the Village of Wadena, ten days prior to said meeting.

The annual reports of the officers and such other reports regarding the affairs of the Association as may be of general interest, shall be read at said meeting.

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ARTICLE III.—ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

As soon after the annual meeting as convenient, the president shall call a meeting of the trustees, at which meeting the trustees shall elect (by ballot) a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, actuary, superintendent, finance and auditing committees. Said officers shall be selected from associate members of the Association.

The trustees may also elect such other officers and agents as may be required from time to time, for the prompt and orderly transaction of the business of the Association and prescribe their duties.

No trustee shall receive any compensation or salary for his service as such trustee, nor shall any trustee or any other officer of the Association have any pecuniary interest in any contract, work or material for the Association.

The Board of Trustees, however, have the power to and may whenever they deem proper, fix the salary or compensation of any and all officers or agents of the Association for services other than as trustee.

ARTICLE IV.—PRESIDENT.

The president shall be a member ex-officio of all committees; when present shall preside at all meetings of the Association and of the Trustees; he shall fix the time and place for all special meetings; appoint all committees not otherwise provided for; report in writing at the annual meeting the proceedings of the trustees for the preceding year; and exercise such powers as are usually incident to the office of president of an association of this character.

He shall call a meeting of the Board when requested to do so, in writing by a majority of the trustees, and may call a meeting at any time when in his judgment the interests of the Association require it.

ARTICLE V.—VICE PRESIDENT

The vice-president shall perform the duties of the president in all cases of his absence or disability, from any cause.

ARTICLE VI —SECRETARY

The secretary shall act as secretary of all the meetings of the Association, the trustees, and the executive committee, at which he may be present, and in his absence a secretary pro-tempore shall be chosen by the members present at any of said meetings; and he shall keep in a book, provided for that purpose, a record of the proceedings of any such meetings. He shall have charge of the collection of all moneys due the Association for the sale of lots, or labor performed for lot owners at the cemetery; he shall on the first day of each month turn over to the treasurer all moneys that shall have come into his hands, with a statement from what source received, taking the treasurer's receipt therefor. He shall prepare the advertisements and other publications of the trustees, and have charge of the delivery of the deed, permits, catalogues and other publications of the trustees. He shall insert and keep in a portfolio all plans duly made of lots, number the same and keep an index by which they may be conveniently found. He shall obtain and record information in regard to heirs or devisees of the deceased proprietors of lots, serve all proper notices, perform any other duties pertaining to his office which may be required by the trustees, and may also perform the duties of actuary as provided by laws of this state.

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ARTICLE VII—TREASURER

The treasurer shall give bonds for such sum as the trustees may designate, for the faithful performance of his duties of the office. He shall have the custody of the funds of the Association, under the direction of the trustees. He shall keep true and correct books of account, of all moneys received and paid out, pay all bills which shall have been approved by the auditing committee. He shall keep all moneys deposited in a bank to the credit of the Association, and shall draw the same in the name of the association by himself as treasurer, and with the approval of the trustees, shall invest all surplus moneys. He shall preserve and file all papers relating to his official duties, and make a full report at the annual meeting, of all transactions for the year or period preceding, with a report of the existing funds of the Association; and he shall render an account at any time, when called for by the trustees, of any transaction within his department.

ARTICLE VIII—FINANCE COMMITTEE

The finance committee shall consist of two members of the Board of trustees with one member of the Association to be appointed by the President, who shall have control and direction of all funds belonging to or held in trust by the Association. The finance committee shall make investment through the treasurer and shall annually examine the securities and evidence of properties held by the treasurer, and annually report in writing to said Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE IX—THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The executive committee shall consist of five members to be elected by the Board or Trustees, (by ballot) to be selected from associate members of the Association. It shall have the immediate control of all property of the Association in so far as maintenance, improvement and beautifying the grounds of said Association are concerned. It shall submit at any meeting when called for, a report of its proceedings. It shall keep a true record of all its acts and proceedings and shall make a report thereof to the Board of Trustees at every meeting of the board.

The Board of Trustees may, at their discretion, remove any member of such committee, and any vacancy occurring in the membership of said committee by removal or otherwise shall be filled by the trustees.

ARTICLE X—AUDITING COMMITTEE.

The auditing committee shall consist of two members of the Board of Trustees, with one member of the Association to be appointed by the President. They shall audit and certify to the annual report of the Secretary and Treasurer. They shall verify all vouchers before the same are paid.

This committee shall meet regularly on the eighth day of each month, except when the eighth day of the month falls on Sunday, or a legal holiday, when the meeting shall be held the first business day following.

ARTICLE XI -SUPERINTENDENT

The superintendent, under the direction of the trustees, and executive committee, shall have entire care of the grounds of the Association; shall keep the avenues and paths in a neat and satisfactory manner, free

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from all weeds and obstructions of all kinds, shall oversee and have charge of all the workmen on the grounds and order and arrange their respective duties.

He shall see that the rights and the rules of the Association are respected by artists, mechanics and laborers employed on the grounds by individual proprietors, and that all regulations in regard to interments and the construction of tombs, monuments, foundations, etc., be complied with, and fulfill all contracts made with proprietors of lots.

It shall be his duty to remove from the grounds all improper and disorderly persons and to see that the rules of the Association are complied with.

ARTICLE XII—MEMBERSHIP.

The membership of this Association shall be the original signers of the Articles of Incorporation as shown in the recorded articles, and such members as may be elected from time to time by the Board of Trustees by a majority vote thereof.

ARTICLE XIII—POWER TO CHANGE BY-LAWS

These By-Laws may be changed by amendment or repeal and adoption of new by-laws by the Board of Trustees by a vote of a majority of such Board at any regular meeting thereof or any special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE XIV—SEAL

The impression below is an impression of the seal adopted by the Association as its corporate seal.

ARTICLE XV

All transfers and conveyances of real estate by this association and all contracts relating thereto, shall be made by the Association under the seal thereof in accordance with the orders of the Board of Trustees and shall be signed by the President and attested by the Secretary.

SUGGESTIONS BY TRUSTEES

The Trustees observe with pleasure a growing desire on the part of lot owners to preserve and increase the beauty of their lots, and in reply to numerous inquiries submit the following general suggestions for the care and improvement of lots:

It is the aim of the Association to make Wadena Cemetery a quiet, beautiful resting place for the dead, where well kept turf and varied foliage of trees and shrubbery shall give a sense of repose. To secure this effect the Ladies Auxiliary have been untiring in their efforts and have displayed commendable energy, large sums of money have been expended upon the grounds; but to preserve it requires the co-operation of the lot owners. Everything which would mar the general beauty and harmony must be avoided.

CARE OF LOTS.

To secure a general good effect in the cemetery it is essential that every lot should be well cared for, as a single neglected lot mars the beauty of the whole section. It is the duty which every lot owner owes to the Cemetery Association, to every other lot owner, and to himself and family, to preserve from neglect the home of his dead.

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The general care of the lots (which covers mowing the grass, removing fallen leaves, branches, etc.) is assumed by the association. For all other work an extra charge will be made in addition to the regular assessment.

PERPETUAL CARE OF LOTS.

Unusual outlays are from time to time rendered necessary on every lot by the impoverishment of the soil, decay of trees or the effect of time on monuments and headstones. In order to provide for these contingencies through all time, it is advisable that each lot owner deposit a sum of money with the Cemetery Association, or leave it to them by will, the principal to remain untouched, and the interest to be used upon his lot as occasion may require.

This is becoming a general practise among the lot owners of the leading cemeteries of the east. In Forrest Hill Cemetery, Boston, every purchaser is required to deposit a certain sum for the perpetual care of the lot before he receives a deed of it.

MOUNDS OVER GRAVES

In the best cemeteries of the country the surface above the graves is now kept flat, as it is almost impossible to make grass live or to mow it properly on mounds; Mounds are not necessary to mark the place of interment, as an accurate record is kept of every grave.

LEANING MONUMENTS AND HEAD STONES

Are extremely unsightly and are injurious to the appearance of the whole cemetery. When a monument or a headstone leans from the perpendicular, it is for want of a proper foundation, and in such case the lot owner should, without delay, have a foundation built, and the monument or stone reset.

In order to secure thoroughly good work all foundations are now built under the direction of the Superintendent, at the expense of the owner.

PLANTING ON LOTS.

Planting within the narrow limits of a cemetery lot, so as to avoid overcrowding and encroachment on adjoining lots, requires an intimate knowledge of the habits of trees and shrubs, and the size which they attain, and should be done only with the approval and under the direction of the Superintendent.

DESIGNS FOR MONUMENTS AND HEAD STONES

Great care should be taken in selecting designs. A monument should be designed with reference to its surroundings, consideration being given to the number, size and character of the other monuments standing near it. A good design need cost no more, and it may cost less than a bad one. Where a monument is to be placed on a lot, headstones, if used at all, should be made very low, the lower the better for permanence, for the appearance of the lot and for effect of the monument. Lot owners are earnestly advised NEVER TO DUPLICATE a monument already in the cemetery. Justice to the owner forbids copying a design for which he has paid, and multiplying any one design only leads to tiresome monotony.

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Proprietors wishing to make improvements on their lots must consult the Executive Committee and the Superintendent, as all work in Wadena Cemetery is done under his and their supervision.

PRIVILEGES AND RESTRICTIONS OF LOT OWNERS.

Section I—Each lot in the cemetery is marked by stone or iron posts at each corner, set level with the ground, the number of the Lot and Block shown on the plats in the Secretary's office, the same done by the Association before the sale of the lot.

LOT ENCLOSURES.

Section II—Enclosures of any other description are considered unsightly and useless, and are therefore prohibited.

GRADE OF LOTS.

Section III—The grade of all lots will be determined by the trustees or Executive Committee.

TREES, ETC. ON LOTS

Section IV—No tree nor shrub shall be planted, removed, cut down or destroyed within the borders of any lot or lots, without the consent of the trustees or Executive Committee.

REMOVAL OF TREES, ETC.

Section V—If any tree or shrub situated on any lot, shall become detrimental to any adjacent lot or avenue, or unsightly or inconvenient, it shall be the duty of the trustees or Executive Committee, to remove such tree or shrub, or such part thereof as in their judgment is unsightly, detrimental or inconvenient, and if any lot, or any structure thereon shall, by the absence or neglect of the proprietor, become unsightly or inconvenient, it shall be the duty of said trustees or executive committee, and they shall have the right by their proper officers, to put said lot or structures in proper order and repair, and make a reasonable charge for the same, or to remove the same from the lot.

VEHICLES

Section VI—No vehicle shall proceed at a speed exceeding six miles an hour while in the cemetery.

REMOVAL OF SEATS, ETC.

Section VII—No wire work will be allowed upon the lots, and no seats, and should any such structures now on any lot become unsightly or rusty, they shall be removed from the cemetery by the owner on notice to that effect.

TOMBS ETC.

Section VIII—Tombs or mausoleums may be constructed only in such places and in such style as shall be approved by the Trustees or Executive Committee, complete plans and specifications of the same to be furnished to the superintendent on application for permission for

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their construction, but no bodies shall be placed therein except in sealed caskets and hermetically sealed single compartments in a manner satisfactory to the superintendent.

MONUMENTS

Section IX—But one monument will be allowed upon a lot, unless special permission is given by the Board of Trustees, or Executive Committee and shall then be placed as directed by the Superintendent. Any stone more than twelve inches thick shall be considered a monument.

FOUNDATIONS

Section X—As a guarantee of good work, and as a protection to all lot owners and for the general welfare of the Cemetery, it is suggested that all owners have excavations for, and building of all foundations, done under the supervision of the Superintendent, as the Trustees and Executive committee will regulate all work done in the cemetery, under the following conditions:

1. The lot owners order authorizing the work to be done, also plan and design of structure for submission to the Trustees or Executive Committee, must be deposited with the Superintendent before the foundation is laid.
2. Foundations will be excavated for and built not less than five feet deep.
3. Foundations will be made at least as large as the bottoms or base or first masonry course above the ground, but the cemetery management reserves the right to require larger foundations when in their estimation the weight of the structure requires it.
4. The first course of masonry above the foundations and all monuments and all other bases must be bedded off to an equal thickness, as no building up with chips, spalls, cement or other material will be allowed. All monument bases must be set in a bed of cement or mortar evenly covering the foundation.
5. Persons engaged in erecting vaults, monuments or other structures are prohibited from attaching ropes to trees, shrubs or other objects.
6. Workmen must not scatter material over adjoining lots, or leave the same on the ground longer than is absolutely necessary, but shall in all cases proceed and act in accordance with the rules of the cemetery.
7. Obstructions to avenues and paths, incidental to improvements of all kind must be as slight as possible and there must be no unnecessary delay in finishing after work has been commenced.
8. In order to protect paths and grass from injury, planks must be laid on them when heavy materials are to be moved over them.
9. Contractors and others having work in the cemetery must make known their business to the Superintendent before work is commenced.
10. All workmen in any capacity within the confines of the cemetery, whether as masons, stone-cutters, erectors, gardeners, carters or helpers are subject to the direction and control of the Superintendent. Workmen who do not regard the regulations and proprieties of the place cannot in the future be admitted to work in the cemetery.
11. Soliciting work in the cemetery, or placing business cards upon lots is prohibited.

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12. On all new lots, that is where there are no interments, and in sections hereafter platted, markers shall be set level with the ground, the monument only being allowed to project above the ground.

PLANTING FLOWERS ON LOTS.

Section XII.—Flowers may be planted only on graves or in vases, according to the taste of the lot owner, but more than one vase will not be allowed upon a lot. Running vines or hardy spreading plants on graves are in the way in the proper care of lots, and the Association reserves the right to remove such when found objectionable. Unfilled vases will not be allowed to remain on lots after June 15th, but will be removed and held subject to order of owner.

FLORISTS

Section XIII.—Florists engaged by lot owners to plant on graves or in vases will be required to leave a list of all graves and vases planted (with the superintendent) before doing the work, and will not be permitted to remove anything from any lot without written order from lot owner.

No wooden vases or urns will be permitted in the cemetery.

WATERING UTENSILS

Section XIV.—Watering utensils (sprinkling cans, pails, etc.) must not be left on lots. They are unsightly and in danger of being stolen. In no event will the association be responsible for articles placed on lots.

INTERMENT ON AND TRANSFER OF LOTS

Section XV.—No proprietor of any lot, or part of lot shall allow any interment to be made therein, of the body of any person who was not at the time of death a relative of such proprietor, either by blood or marriage, without first procuring the written consent of the trustees thereto, signed by the President and Secretary. And no consent will be given by said trustees in any case except upon the written application therefor, signed by the proprietor, stating the reasons for such request, and distinctly declaring that no remuneration whatever has been received, paid or promised for the privilege of such burial. And the trustees reserve the right to withhold such consent whenever they shall deem it proper to do so.

Section XVI.—Until all charges due the Cemetery Association are paid, burials are not allowed in any lot, and if they should be permitted, before the lot is fully paid for, the Association retains the right of ownership in the lot, and in case the party purchasing the same shall fail to pay the full amount due thereon, the Association may, after waiting a reasonable time, at the discretion of the Trustees proceed to remove the bodies therein to some other suitable place in the grounds or to that portion set apart for single graves, or to a smaller lot, or may set off a part of the lot in which the interments are made, at the expense of the purchaser of said lot for their burial, and such new assignment or place of burial shall be in full for all money paid on the lot purchased, the same having been forfeited by reason of failure to complete the purchase.

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Section XVII.—General care of the entire grounds and lots is assumed by the Association, upon the payment by each lot owner of the small assessment annually made. This however does not provide for special care of monuments, flowers, etc., which may be placed on lots by the proprietors. In order that lot owners may secure such special care for all time, the Association will receive and place in trust in the same manner as the general trust fund, such sums—in no case less than \$50.00—as lot owners may wish to devote to such special care. Such sums will be kept entirely separate from the general trust fund or other funds and the interest thereof devoted to such special purpose as may be designated in the contract with the Association.

Estimates for the special care of lots, such as keeping the monuments and stones properly clean and the annual planting and care of flowers, will be made by the Superintendent at any time upon application.

LAWS TO BE COMPLIED WITH

No burial will be permitted in any lot in the cemetery until such laws regarding burials, as may be in force in the State of Minnesota, have been complied with and until the burial fees are paid.

BUT ONE BODY IN A GRAVE

But one body will be allowed in a grave, except in case of a mother and infant, in which case special permission must be obtained from the Trustees or Executive Committee.

NOTICE TO BE GIVEN FOR GRAVES

At least twenty-four hours' notice for graves must be given, either at the office of the Secretary or to the Superintendent, otherwise the grave cannot be prepared, and in all cases the box must be either sent at once to the cemetery or the exact size be left with the Superintendent.

WHO ADMITTED

The grounds will be open from 7 o'clock A. M. until sunset, and any orderly persons may visit them at any time. In fact the general public is invited to visit the grounds and any suggestion that may be made either to the Trustees or the Executive Committee will be carefully considered.

CHILDREN

Children under fifteen years of age will not be permitted in the cemetery unless accompanied by their parents or guardians.

REFRESHMENTS

No person with refreshments will be permitted on the grounds.

FIRE-ARMS

No fire-arms will be allowed in the grounds except at military funerals, or the G. A. R. at their services on Memorial Day and at such other times as may be necessary in their ritual.

FAST DRIVING

No fast driving will be permitted, and horses are not to be driven on the grass, or left without a driver, unless fastened to posts provided for that purpose.

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FUNERALS

Funerals on reaching the grounds will be under the charge of the Superintendent or his assistants. Drivers must remain by their horses while waiting, and owners will be held responsible for any damage caused by violation of this rule.

PICKING FLOWERS

All persons are prohibited, under penalty of law, from picking any flower either wild or cultivated, or breaking any tree, shrub or plant, or marring or defacing any monument or stone, or any structure within the cemetery.

OMNIBUSES, SCHOOLS, ETC.

Omnibuses will not be admitted to the grounds, nor schools, nor large assemblies of persons except at funerals, Memorial Day of the G. A. R. and Knights of Pythias.

DOGS

Persons accompanied by dogs will not be admitted to the cemetery.

DISTURBERS OF THE PEACE

All persons disturbing the quiet and good order of the place, by noise or improper conduct, will be compelled instantly to leave the grounds.

Some of the foregoing rules may appear arbitrary; they are, however, no more so than those adopted and strictly enforced by the best cemeteries in the country.

The officers of the Association earnestly request every one, whether a lot owner or interested in the single grave, to aid them in enforcing these rules.

Please report to the superintendent or any of the officers of the Association any violation with the names of the offenders, if known.

TOUCH NOTHING IN THE CEMETERY THAT DOES NOT BELONG TO YOU

This is the only safe rule to adopt in visiting the cemetery, where the temptation for picking flowers, etc., is so great.

The attention of lot owners is invited to the law concerning the title of lots after the decease of present owners.

Section 2947.—Lots inalienable—Conveyance—Whenever any lot in such Cemetery has been sold and conveyed for burial purposes, it shall forever thereafter be inalienable except as hereinafter provided. Before any interment shall have been made therein, or after all the bodies therein buried, if any, shall have been lawfully removed, the owner of such lot may sell, convey, and release the same to the association, and when, by consent of the owner, any lot has been solely used by some other person as a family burial place, such owner, with the consent of the governing body of the association, may convey the same to the person so using it. The association may use any of its funds for such repurchase, and may hold said lot or again sell and convey the same.

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Section 2948.—Descent of Lots - Upon the death of a lot owner such lot, unless otherwise disposed of by will (Sec. 2949) shall descend as follows:

- 1.—To the surviving spouse of decedent.
- 2.—If there be no living spouse, then to the eldest living son of decedent.
- 3.—If there be no living son, then to the oldest living daughter.
- 4.—If there be no living daughter, then to the youngest brother of decedent.
- 5.—If there be no living brother, then to the youngest sister of decedent.
- 6.—If there be no surviving spouse, son, daughter, brother or sister of the decedent, then to the association in trust for the uses of burial lot for the decedent and such of his relatives as the trustees shall deem proper.

But such association, or, with its consent, any person to whom such lot may so descend, may grant and convey the same to any one of decedent's sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, or grandchildren, and such grantee shall thereafter be deemed the owner thereof.

Section 2949.—Disposition by Will.—Any owner of a cemetery lot may dispose of the same to one of his relatives who may survive him, or to such cemetery association, in trust, as specified in Sec. 2948; but no such lot shall be affected by any testamentary devise unless the same be specifically mentioned in the will. No interment shall be made in any such lot, except by written consent of the association, of the body of any person who was not, at the time of death, the owner thereof, or a relative of the owner by blood or marriage. Every association shall keep a record of all deeds, conveyances, judgments, decrees, or other documents affecting the title to lots in such cemetery, copies of which, certified by the secretary, shall be received in evidence by the courts.

It will be observed that under this law the TITLE must always be in some ONE individual. Examine its provisions with care and if for any reason you desire to CHANGE the course of descent, as there prescribed, remember that it must be done by WILL. Unless specifically devised by will, the lot, upon your death, will go to one of the six parties above enumerated.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

We the undersigned, L. F. Yeaton, Chairman and Alva G. Swindlehurst Secretary, of the meeting hereinafter referred to, do hereby certify, that on the 22nd. day of August 1898, the following named persons who are each and all residents of the County of Wadena, State of Minnesota, assembled in the meeting at the Court House in the village of Wadena, in said County of Wadena, for the purpose of forming and organizing a Cemetery Association, under, by virtue and in pursuance of Title two (2) of Chapter Thirty-four (34) of the General Statutes of 1878 and all acts and parts of acts amendatory thereof, and did there and then organize such Association, viz: L. F. Yeaton, Martha J. Yeaton, E. M. Rice, P. V. Coppernoll, May V. Coppernoll, Joseph Swindlehurst, Belle Swindlehurst William Wilson, Jennie Wilson, Jennie R. Baumbach, George A. Whitney, Louise Whitney, John Stewart, A. M. Baumbach, S. J. Dower, Edna Dower, C. C. Eastman, Mary Eastman, H. T. Bivans, Fred Kingsley, J. R. Anderson, Alva G. Swindlehurst, Ida E. Rice, L. L. Benedict, Lizzie Benedict, Kate L. Baumbach, A. L. Irwin, Rachel Irwin, W. R.

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Baumbach, Christ Hunsinger, Emeline P. Hunsinger, C. W. Baumbach, Bertha M. Baumbach, E. J. Austen, Viola L. Austen, Frances F. Turner, J. H. Montgomery, Minnie A. Montgomery, John Liddell, Grace L. Liddell, John Alexander, Frank C. Field, Nellie M. Field, Geo. M. Stowe, G. M. Migge, Anna Migge, F. H. Miller, Emma Miller.

1—On motion the meeting was called to order at the hour of eight o'clock and fifteen minutes in the afternoon, L. F. Yeaton was elected Chairman and Alva G. Swindlehurst secretary of said meeting.

2—On motion it was then and there determined by a majority of the persons here present, viz: E. M. Rice, L. F. Yeaton, Martha J. Yeaton, P. V. Coppernoll, May V. Coppernoll, A. M. Baumbach, Joseph Swindlehurst, Belle Swindlehurst, William Wilson, Jennie Wilson, Jennie R. Baumbach, George A. Whitney, Louise Whitney, John Stewart, S. J. Dower, Edna Dower, C. C. Eastman, Mary Eastman, H. T. Bivans, Ida E. Rice, Fred Kingsley J. R. Anderson, Alva G. Swindlehurst, L. L. Benedict, Lizzie Benedict, Kate L. Baumbach, A. L. Irwin, Rachel Irwin, W. R. Baumbach, Christ Hunsinger, Emeline P. Hunsinger, C. W. Baumbach, Bertha M. Baumbach, E. J. Austen, Viola L. Austen, Frances F. Turner, J. H. Montgomery, Minnie Montgomery, John Liddell, Grace Liddell, John Alexander, Frank C. Field, Nellie M. Field, Geo M. Stowe, G. M. Migge, Anna Migge, F. H. Miller, Emma Miller, do hereby organize a Cemetery Association which shall be known by the name of and called the Wadena Cemetery Association and which Cemetery Association hereby organized and of which said Cemetery Association we the said hereinbefore named persons are the associate members.

III—On motion it was then and there determined by a majority of the persons present at such meeting that the number of trustees who are to manage the concerns of the Association and who shall be known as the Board of Trustees shall consist of three persons.

IV—On motion it was there and then determined by a majority of the persons present at such meeting that the annual meeting of the Association for the purpose of electing trustees and the transaction of all legal business that may come up before such meeting shall be held on the third Monday in August in each and every year, at the hour of seven and one-half o'clock in the afternoon at such place in the Village of Wadena, as may be determined by the Board of Trustees, by their by-laws.

V—On motion and by vote by ballot, the following named persons, were by a majority of the persons present at such meeting, elected as the Board of Trustees of said Association, viz: P. V. Coppernoll, George A. Whitney and E. M. Rice.

VI—On motion it was there and then determined by a majority of the persons present at such meeting that the Associate members of the Association, together with the owners of lots in the Cemetery or Cemeteries of the Association, shall be eligible to vote at the annual meeting of said Association.

VII—On motion it was there and then determined by a majority of the persons present at such meeting that all trustees elected at any annual meeting of the Association, shall hold their respective offices for the term of three years and until their successors are duly elected; and that no person shall be eligible to the office of Trustee of said Association unless he or she, as the case may be, be an associate member thereof, or become a member thereof by election thereafter.

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VIII—On motion it was there and then determined by a majority present at such meeting that the regular meetings of the Board of Trustees of said Association shall be held on the fourth Monday in August of each and every year, at the hour of seven and one-half o'clock in the afternoon, at such place in said Village of Wadena as the said Board of Trustees may by their by-laws provide, and that special meetings of said Board of Trustees shall be held in the said Village of Wadena, at such time and place and upon such notice as the Board of Trustees may by their by-laws provide.

IX—And on motion it was there and then determined by a majority of the persons present at such meeting, that special meetings of the members of the Association may be held at such time and place as any five members of said Association petitioning therefor may designate in their petition for such special meeting.

X—And we the undersigned, the said Chairman and Secretary of said meeting do hereby further certify, that immediately after the election of the Trustees of said Association, as set forth in paragraph 5, of these Articles, we, said Chairman and said Secretary then and there divided them into three classes, viz: P. V. Coppernoll to constitute the first class and to hold his office for the term of one year, and until his successor is duly elected; that George A. Whitney shall constitute the second class and hold his office for the term of two years, and until his successor is duly elected and that E. M. Rice shall constitute the third class and hold his office for the term of three years and until his successor is duly elected.

Dated at Wadena, Minn., this 25th day of August A. D. 1898.

In Presence of
W. E. Parker
Frank Willson

L. F. Yeaton,
Chairman
Alva Swindlehurst
Secretary

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } ss.
County of Wadena, }

On this 25th day of August A. D. 1898. before me a Notary Public within and for said County of Wadena, personally came L. F. Yeaton and Alva G. Swindlehurst to me well known to be the persons who executed the foregoing instrument and severally and personally acknowledged that they executed the same freely and voluntarily and for the uses and purposes therein expressed and as their own free act and deed.

(Notarial Seal)
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Internal
Revenue Stamp
affixed
and cancelled
Aug. 25, '98.
F. W.

Frank Willson,
Notary Public,
Wadena County,
Minnesota.

Filed and recorded August 25th, 1898 at 3:30 P. M.

Chris Hunsinger,
Register of Deeds