Resolution Re: Indigent Burial

WHEREAS, Section 5113.15 of the Ohio Revised Code states that the Township shall be responsible for indigent burial costs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees, Washinton Township, Montgomery County, Ohio that the following Indigent Burial policy be hereby established.

Section 1

POLICY:

The Township will assist with the burial costs of deceased persons who are indigent and were Township residents at the time of death or were found in the Township and have no known address. Burial is to be accomplished in the least costly manner possible.

Section 2

PROCEDURE:

- 1. The Township will deal directly with the funeral home and not with the family.
- 2. The Township "REQUEST FOR INDIGENT BURIAL ASSISTANCE" form must be completed by the funeral home performing the service.
- The funeral home director will be responsible for investigating all possible sources for funding the burial costs before approaching the Township and shall list contacts made.
- 4. The funeral home director will be responsible for providing all information needed to identify the deceased, the surviving family, and any financial information requested on the form.
- 5. The funeral home shall submit an itemized list of costs incurred.
- 6. The Township will verify the means of support of the deceased as well as the financial circumstances of the family to make a determination of indigency. The Township may require the family to sign a statement of indigency.
- 7. The trustees must be convinced that the following conditions exist before assistance will be considered:
 - a) The deceased has no resources and is not eligible for federal or state burial assistance as determined by staff investigation.

- b) The family is destitute as evidenced by staff investigation and by a statement signed by a responsible member of the family.
- 8. If the trustees are convinced that a case of indigency exists, assistance of up to \$400 may be paid to the funeral home. Said payment shall not exceed the costs incurred by the funeral home. In addition, the township may provide a grave and opening and closing costs at a township cemetery.

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Rita C. Shear, Clerk

Douglas R. Fink, President

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Trustee

GLICKLER FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICE

April 11, 2016

Washington Township 8200 McEwen Road Dayton, Ohio ATTN: Mike Barlow

Dear Mike,

I am writing to offer our services to Washington Township for indigent cremation services. As you know, the Montgomery County Coroners Office will no longer pick up and store bodies for indigent services. We are willing to provide these services to you at a cost of \$750.00.

Our service will include making the removal of the deceased 24 hours a day, 365 days per year. In addition we will provide proper storage, refrigeration, obtain all of the necessary information for the death certificate, arrange for the next of kin to sign the cremation authorization, provide the alternative container for the body to be cremated, the cremation fee and the cremation permit. This is an all inclusive service.

We have been in business since 1913. I personally have been providing indigent services to the residents of Montgomery County for the last 36 years. I would be glad to provide a list of references upon request.

As I stated the \$750.00 will be a complete charge. The only additional fee would be for permanent storage at Woodland Cemetery if needed for any unclaimed remains at a cost of \$100.00, mailing of cremated remains if needed at a cost of \$90.00 and if the deceased is too large for the standard alternative container (usually over 300 pounds), a larger container would have to be used at an additional cost of \$175.00.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. If you are in agreement with this letter, please sign it and return to me by FAX at 278-1113 or email at lgfuneralhome@gmail.com.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Larry S. Glickler

Accepted by

Date 0/3/10

ORC: 9.15 Burial or cremation of body at expense of township or Municipal Corporation.

When the body of a dead person is found in a township or municipal corporation, and such person was not an inmate of a correctional, benevolent, or charitable institution of this state, and the body is not claimed by any person for private interment or cremation at the person's own expense, or delivered for the purpose of medical or surgical study or dissection in accordance with section 1713.34 of the Revised Code, it shall be disposed of as follows:

- (A) If the person was a legal resident of the county, the proper officers of the township or municipal corporation in which the person's body was found shall cause it to be buried or cremated at the expense of the township or municipal corporation in which the person had a legal residence at the time of death.
- (B) If the person had a legal residence in any other county of the state at the time of death, the superintendent of the county home of the county in which such body was found shall cause it to be buried or cremated at the expense of the township or municipal corporation in which the person had a legal residence at the time of death.
- (C) If the person was an inmate of a correctional institution of the county or a patient or resident of a benevolent institution of the county, the person had no legal residence in the state, or the person's legal residence is unknown, the superintendent shall cause the person to be buried or cremated at the expense of the county.

Such officials shall provide, at the grave of the person or, if the person's cremated remains are buried, at the grave of the person's cremated remains, a metal, stone, or concrete marker on which the person's name and age, if known, and date of death shall be inscribed.

A political subdivision is not relieved of its duty to bury or cremate a person at its expense under this section when the body is claimed by an indigent person. As used in this section, "indigent person" means a person whose income does not exceed one hundred fifty per cent of the federal poverty line, as revised annually by the United States department of health and human services in accordance with section 673(2) of the "Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981," 95 Stat. 511, 42 U.S.C. 9902, as amended, for a family size equal to the size of the person's family.