



Staff Report

Report Title: 2023 Ripley Cemetery Year End Report

Prepared By: Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

Department: Community Services

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Attachments: None

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report Number CS-2024-01-2, as prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services.

Background:

The Community Services staff is responsible for the sales, internments, and maintenance of the Ripley Cemetery property.

Discussion:

The Ripley Cemetery received nine cremation internments, and seven full internments. Two cremation internments were columbarium internments.

Cemetery sales in 2023 included six full plot sales, and nine columbarium niche sales.

Staff contracted the replacement of two crumbling monument bases in 2023, and staff also contracted the trimming of dead wood and hazard branches from the Cemetery trees. Community Services staff maintain five acres of grass cutting in the active cemetery in addition to the five-acre inactive cemetery grass.

The care and maintenance trusts for the land, and monuments continue to grow, and plans are to sustain the cemetery for future maintenance.

Financial Impacts:

The year end report will be presented at the budget meeting.

Strategic Alignment / Link:

We are a vibrant community that values our uniqueness and creativity.

By preserving and protecting our history and heritage

Respectfully Submitted By:

Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

Report Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer