

AGENDA

**Cemetery Board Meeting
Council Chambers
25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, WA**

**August 16, 2016
3:30 p.m.**

Attendees:

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- 1. Review and Approval of Meeting Notes from February 16, 2016**

 - 2. Identifying a Service Group and promoting the Clean up Day Project**

 - 3. Getting the New Niche Wall on the City Capital Improvement Plan**

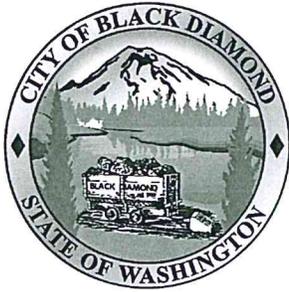
 - 4. Web-site update ; History paragraph; Memorial Day Photo;**

 - 5. Adjourn Meeting**

Additional handouts may be provided at the meeting

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NOTES

Cemetery Board Meeting Council Chambers 25510 Lawson Street, Black Diamond, WA

February 16, 2016

3:30 p.m. Meeting called to order by Mr. Boettcher at 3:30

Attendees: Howard Botts, Gomer Evans, Vicki Harp, Dee Israel and Don Mason (board members); Also present, Mayor Carol Benson, and PW Director ,Seth Boettcher

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- 1. Review Meeting Notes from August 18, 2015** The meeting notes from August 18th, 2015 were reviewed. No edits were recommended. Vicki Harp moved to approve the notes as presented. The motion was seconded by Dee Israel. The motion passed with all voting in favor (5 – 0)

GENERAL COMMENTS: May 7 there will be celebration of the 40 year anniversary of the Black Diamond museum. A famous singer who specializes in John Denver songs will be there. Early cemetery records were lost when the cemetery curator, Jack Jones died in the early 50's and the family when cleaning out his house did not save the records or never did get them to the City.

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- 2. Cemetery Bylaws Overall Review & Recommendation** Staff and the board reviewed the bylaws section by section making some formatting changes, double word deletions, punctuation, clarification on Saturday burials, change to allow trimming and pruning by citizens and removing time frames from cut flowers or artificial flower removal and reducing the vehicle speed in the cemetery to 5 mph. With those changes, the Howard Botts made a motion: Whereas the City has not had comprehensive official bylaws to govern the maintenance and operation of the Black Diamond Cemetery and whereas the board has reviewed various issues regarding the operation and maintenance of the cemetery and developed appropriate codes to guide City staff in the operation and maintenance of the cemetery; he then moved to approve the cemetery bylaws prepared by the cemetery board and as edited on February 16th, 2016 and refer them to the City council for consideration and adoption
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3. **Spring Cleanup Dates** The spring cemetery clean up date was set for May 14th, 2016, the second Saturday in May. More volunteers are needed. The City will put a call for volunteers in the City's quarterly newsletter. Don Mason will write an article for the paper regarding the clean up day. Don would like the use of pressure washer, and top soil for leveling.

 4. **Cemetery Board Terms** Dee Israel said that she would probably be willing to serve another term, but would like the Mayor to check back in with her later in the year.

 5. **Adjourn Meeting** A motion to adjourn at approximately 4:30 was made by board member Evans , seconded by board member Botts. The motion passed (5 – 0)
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PROJECT TITLE

New Park Facilities

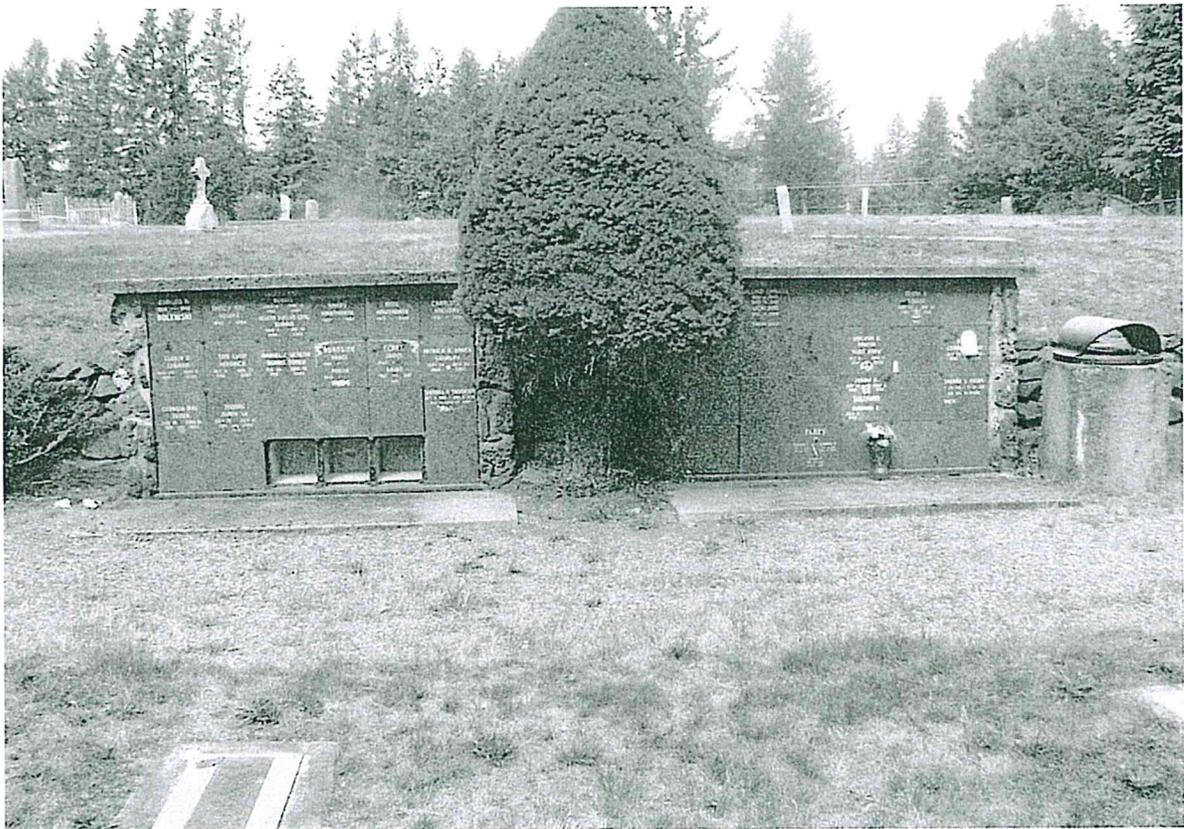
DESCRIPTION

Install a niche wall for cremation remains in the cemetery 5 ft. high by about 24 feet long.

BACKGROUND

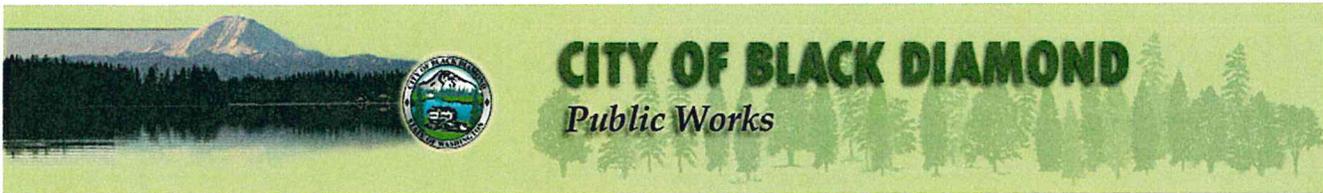
The existing niche wall is nearly all sold out. Many people do not want to purchase an entire plot within the cemetery and the niche would serve their needs. The niche wall preserves space within the cemetery. The price of the niches could be reassessed after the final expense of the project is known so that the City could recover their costs. The price of a niche right now is \$350 and the price of a plot is \$1500.

	Through 2015	Estimated 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total \$ 2017 - 2022
CAPITAL PROJECT COSTS									
Niche wall purchase				10,000					10,000
Niche wall installation				10,000					10,000
TOTAL COSTS				20,000					20,000
REQUESTED FUNDING									
REET 1				20,000					20,000
TOTAL SOURCES				20,000					20,000



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4.) Website update; History paragraph; Memorial Day photo



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CEMETERY

Black Diamond's Historic Cemetery is located at 24431 Morgan Street.



The city-owned Black Diamond Cemetery, founded in 1884, sits on Cemetery Hill Road, hidden by a row of trees and marked by a wooden sign erected by local Scouts.

The cemetery has more than 1,200 graves, giving visitors a sense of the cultural diversity and tragedy that existed in Black Diamond when coal mining was at its peak. Tombstones mark graves of residents who came from Wales, Italy, Australia, Russia, Germany and many other countries.

Mayor Howard Bolts says a Civil War veteran is buried there, as are many children who died in the early 1900s in epidemics of small pox and the flu. At least half a dozen graves mark those of mine workers who died in explosions in 1902, 1910 and 1915.

The cemetery was added to the National Register of Historic Places in April 2000.
(Article by Dana Blozis SE Living -2007)

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

- Cemetery Bylaws prepared and approved by Cemetery Board Members on 2/16/16. Bylaws are now referred to City Council for review and approval for adoption.
- Cemetery Work Party! Do you want to help preserve and protect our Black Diamond cultural heritage? Come join the Cemetery Board from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 14th to spruce up the cemetery before Memorial Day. The work will focus on raking, trimming, edging, weeding, picking up debris and cleaning. Bring gloves, tools and ENERGY! For additional information, please contact Don Mason, dmlmason@comcast.net.
- Please join the Black Diamond/Maple Valley VFW Post 5050 at 10:30 a.m. on Memorial day for a Memorial Service for our Veterans at the Black Diamond Cemetery.

GENERAL INFORMATION AND RATES

Plots and niches are available to purchase through Black Diamond City Hall. Not all sections of the cemetery are available for burials. Please contact City Hall to schedule a meeting to discuss plot or niche availability.

Please see the [fee schedule](#) for rates and prices.

DOCUMENTS

Cemetery [Map](#)

Alphabetical Burial [Index](#)

[Ordinance No. 13-999](#) - Relating to the establishment and administration of Public Cemeteries; repealing and re-enacting Chapter 12.12 BDMC to re-establish a Cemetery Board and to conform this Chapter to applicable State law; providing for vested rights and right of descent and survivorship; providing for transfer of ownership

CEMETERY BOARD MEMBERS / TERMS

BOARD POSITION	NAME	TERM
1	Gomer Evans	2014-2017
2	Vicki Harp	2014-2017
3	Howard Bolts	2015-2018
4	Don Mason	2016-2019
5	Dee Israel	2013-2016

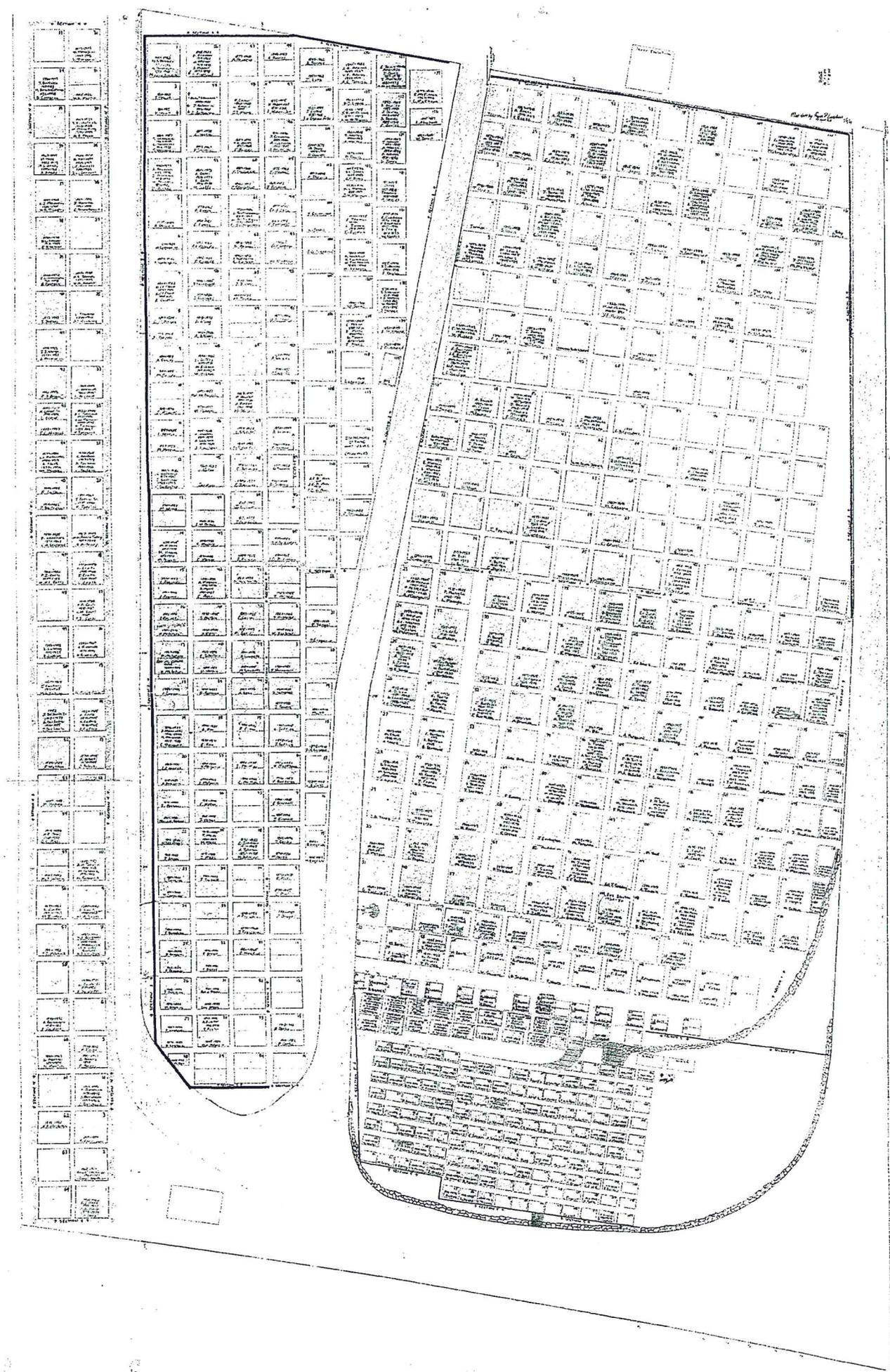
CEMETERY BOARD MEETING MATERIAL (Agenda and Material)

DATE	PACKET MATERIAL (Includes Agenda)
2016	
May 17, 2016	

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Burial Index
(Updated August 2006)

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	BLOCK	SPACE	BIRTH DATE	DEATH DATE	AGE	GENDER
Abraham	Ann Rosser	2	27	5/19/1837	8/28/1909	72	F
Abraham	David D.	3	129	7/12/1885	2/5/1887	1	M
Abraham	Lewis	2	27	12/19/1831	10/31/1904	72	M
Abraham	Meridith L.	2	53	3/22/1884	7/18/1891	7	M
Adams	Ivy Davis	3	126	12/30/1895	10/12/1983	87	F
Adams	Virgil F.	3	126	8/25/1889	3/30/1937	47	M
Agari	Domenico	3	42	1896	1976	80	M
Agari	Ermillina	3	42	1881	1965		F
Ainardi	Eugenia	3	10	1883	1924		F
Alff		1	139				
Alm	Gust			1874	1946		
Anderson	Helen	1	197	4/25/1895	5/2/1986	91	F
Anderson	Hilmar Ernnfred	1	144	4/22/1912	10/29/1919	7	
Anderson	Loretta	1	197	9/8/1926	5/14/1991	64	F
Armstrong	Olive L.	1	58	1/6/1902	1/21/1992	90	F
Armstrong	Stephen E.	1	58	1/16/1902	3/2/1981	79	M
Arnold	James F.	2	74	1867	11/14/1891	34	M
Babcanik	Anna M.	4	10	1884	1953	69	F
Babcanik	Michael	4	10	1876	1942	65	M
Babcanik	Michael Jr.	4	10	1902	1958	56	M
Bainton	Anna	1	186	1867	1947	80	F
Bainton	August R.	1	150	1896	1965	68	M
Bainton	Helen	1	150	1900	1972		F
Bainton	Henry	1	186	1865	1935	69	M
Bainton	Jonas	1	113	2/1/1834	1/27/1918	84	M
Bainton	Marlene Jean	1	187	12/17/1935	2/12/1936	0	F
Bainton	William C.	1	187	12/22/1903	7/6/1977	73	M
Baker	Nellie Hyland	1	53	7/3/1852	9/21/1913	61	F
Baltazor	Robert G.	5	17	11/7/1933	6/3/1965	31	M
Balzarini	Ernesta	3	2	6/28/1873	4/5/1962	88	F
Balzarini	John	3	2	10/9/1859	11/2/1921	62	M
Balzarini	Joseph	2	93	1906	1909		M
Banchero	Angelo	1	100	1903	1929		M
Banchero	Carloina	4	4	1877	1962	85	F
Banchero	Delina	1	100	1884	1961	77	F
Banchero	Fred	4	4	1903	1996		M
Banchero	John	1	100	1871	1959	87	M
Banchero	John X.	4	4	1875	1948		M
Banchero	Rena Shelton	1	100	6/27/1907	2/28/1986	78	F
Barclay	John	2	51	1860	1947	87	M
Barclay	Sarah Ann	2	51	1862	1955	93	F
Barnes	Ann C.	3	98	1849	11/17/1902	59	F



CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND
WASHINGTON
ORDINANCE NO. 13-999

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND,
WASHINGTON, RELATING TO ESTABLISHMENT AND
ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC CEMETERIES;
REPEALING AND RE-ENACTING CHAPTER 12.12 BDMC
TO RE-ESTABLISH A CEMETERY BOARD AND TO
CONFORM THIS CHAPTER TO APPLICABLE STATE
LAW; PROVIDING FOR VESTED RIGHTS AND RIGHT
OF DESCENT AND SURVIVORSHIP; PROVIDING FOR
TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP; PROVIDING FOR
SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE
DATE**

WHEREAS, RCW 35A.68.010 provides that the City may exercise the powers to acquire, own, improve, manage, operate and regulate real and personal property for the operation of a city cemetery or other place for the burial of the dead, to create cemetery boards or commissions, to establish and manage funds for cemetery improvement and care and to make all necessary or desirable rules and regulations concerning the control and management of burial places and the investment of funds relating thereto and accounting therefor, all as authorized by Chapter 68.52 RCW; and

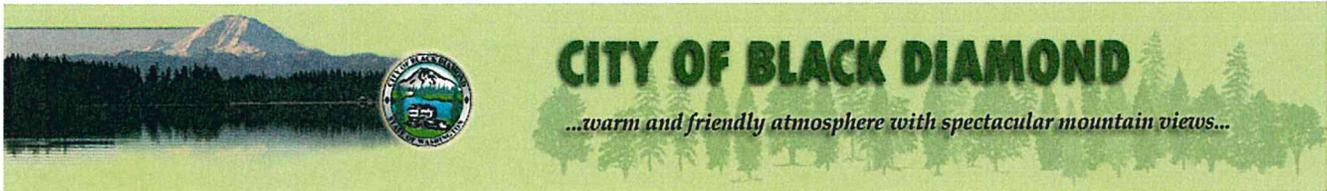
WHEREAS, the City Council in 1978 enacted Ordinance No. 210, codified at BDMC Chapter 12.12, establishing the Black Diamond Cemetery as a non-endowment cemetery pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 68.40 RCW, and providing for the creation of a cemetery board, and establishing the duties and obligations of the cemetery board, and providing for the administration of the Black Diamond Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, former RCW Chapter 68.40 RCW is no longer applicable to the administration of the Black Diamond Cemetery and it necessary to re-establish the Black Diamond Cemetery pursuant to Chapter 68.52 RCW, and

WHEREAS, the City desires to amend the City Cemetery Code to conform to the current requirements of Chapter 68.52 RCW and other applicable state laws; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to dissolve the non-functioning cemetery board and create a cemetery advisory board solely as an advisory body to the Mayor and City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the public health, safety and welfare to amend the Cemetery Code as set forth herein;



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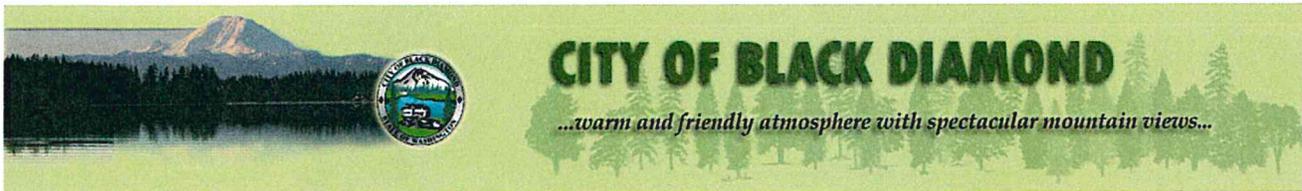
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5.) Adjourn Meeting
