

**Cemetery Commission Meeting Minutes FINAL**  
**Thursday, Sept. 19, 2019 3:00pm**  
**Chilmark Town Hall, 401 Middle Rd, Conference Room #1**

**Those in attendance:**

Sally Cook, Laurisa Rich, Judie Flanders, Susan Murphy & Alan Gowell

**Meeting called to order at 3:00**

**A. Minutes from Sept. 5, 2019** - Approved with changes to 3-1

**B. Superintendent Report** - Susan has compiled relevant statistics -

1. 2019 Burials: 2 full burials and 15 cremations (1 casket : 7.5 cremations)
2. New (current) section has a ratio of 4.3 full lots : 1 half lot
3. Near West Wing (NWW) layout has 1.6 full lots : 1 half lot

**C. Expansion Plan Discussion Continued** Presenter - Alan Gowell of MV Memorials, Edgartown offered a variety of recommendations to maximize space in the NWW section.

**D. Correspondence** - none

**E. Topics not reasonably anticipated** - Chilmark Board of Health has scheduled a public hearing to approve NWW Section, Oct 16th, 5:30.

**Next meeting scheduled Oct. 10th, 2019**

**Meeting adjourned at 4:45**

**Respectfully submitted,**  
**Laurisa Rich**  
**Secretary**

**Documents Reviewed at the Meeting:**

**8/19 Abels Hill Cemetery Old Section Map draft**

**8/28/19 Abel's Hill Cemetery West End Map (green shaded)**

**9/19 YES magazine article Return to Nature by Lynn Freehill-Maye and Phillip Pantuso**