### **Ordinance 03-2015**

# AN ORDINANCE CREATING AND ADOPTING CHAPTER 251, INDIGENT BURIALS FOR THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA PARK

**WHEREAS,** The Village of Minerva Park Council deems it necessary to create procedures for compliance with Ohio Revised Code 9.15; and,

WHEREAS, From time to time a resident of the Village of Minerva Park may die and be indigent;

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA PARK, OHIO, THAT:

**Section 1.** The Village of Minerva Park hereby creates and adopts Chapter 251, Indigent Burials, as follows:

## **CHAPTER 251 Indigent Burials**

- 251.10 Funeral Director's statement
- 251.20 Payment of expenses

#### 251.10 FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT.

Any funeral director burying and/or cremating the dead body of any indigent person whereby payment is required by any state statute providing for payment by the Village, shall submit to the Mayor, Fiscal Officer, or designee a sworn statement documenting contributions received from the decedent's friends, relatives or from any other sources, including but not limited to veteran's benefits, social security benefits, insurance, real or personal property or of anything of value, which may be applied to the burial expense of such person, and containing an itemized statement of the burial expense of such person.

### 251.20 PAYMENT OF EXPENSES.

Upon the submission of such sworn statement and appropriate application for payment, to and approved by the Mayor, Fiscal Officer, or designee, as being in compliance with the requirements of this chapter, there shall be paid to such funeral director for the burial and/or cremation of such person an amount not to exceed six hundred dollars (\$600.00). Such payment shall include the cemetery and/or crematory charges, less the amount of anything of value which may be applied to such funeral expense as shown on the sworn statement referenced in section 251.10 herein.

- **Section 2.** the Fiscal Officer is authorized to make payments from an appropriation in the General Fund for such burial(s) by authority of and in conformity with this Ordinance.
- **Section 3.** The Mayor, Fiscal Officer, and Law Director are hereby authorized to take further actions consistent with this Ordinance that are needed to carry out the intentions of this Ordinance.
- **Section 4.** It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that any and all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements of the laws of the State of Ohio.

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**Section 5.** All prior legislation, or any parts thereof, which is/are inconsistent with this Ordinance is/are hereby repealed as to the inconsistent parts thereof.

**Section 6.** This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

First Reading:

April 13, 2015

Second Reading:

April 27, 2015

Third Reading:

May 11, 2015

Passed:

May 11, 2015

**ATTESTS** 

Jeffrey Wilcheck, Fiscal Officer

Lynn Eisentrout, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Jennifer Croghan, Solioitor