ORDINANCE NO. 11-721

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 3-1011, 3-1012, 3-1014 AND 3-1015 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF FRIEND, NEBRASKA RELATED TO THE MUNICIPAL CEMETERY; TO AMEND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE PLANTING OF TREES AND SHRUBS, GRAVE MARKER FOUNDATIONS, AND VAULTS AND COVERS; TO AMEND PROVISIONS RELATED TO CORNER POSTS AND THOSE RELATED TO CREMAINS AND THEIR GRAVE OPENINGS; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH, TO PROVIDE FOR THE POSTING OR PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM; AND TO PROVIDE FOR A TIME WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT.

Section 1. Section 3-1011 of the Municipal Code of the City of Friend, Nebraska is amended as follows:

§3-1011 MUNICIPAL CEMETERY; SHRUBS AND TREES. It shall be unlawful to plant, maintain, or suffer to remain on any cemetery lot a shrub or tree attaining a height of more than four (4) feet.

Section 2. Section 3-1012 of the Municipal Code of the City of Friend, Nebraska is amended as follows:

§3-1012 MUNICIPAL CEMETERY; GRAVE MARKER FOUNDATIONS. The foundations for all head stones, foot stones and monuments shall be prepared and made by the monument or marker company with the approval of the Sexton of the cemetery subject to the following rules:

- 1. Cemetery Sexton must be contacted before any marker or monument installation is made.
- 2. Grave space or spaces must be paid for before any memorial can be installed.
- 3. All above ground monuments and markers must set on an approved concrete or granite foundation with a minimum apron on all four sides of four inches.
- 4. Monuments and markers must be a standard granite or marble of any color, or made or bronze.
- 5. Only vases of a permanent type are allowed and must be set in or permanently attached to the concrete or granite foundation on end of the memorial (in line), never in front or behind the memorial.
- 6. Concrete foundations (poured wash around a granite marker) in the north (flush) section of the cemetery must have a minimum depth of four inches. All granite markers (minimum size of 32" x 20" x 4") do not require a poured wash and will have a minimum of 2" leveling sand under the marker. Markers and monuments whether in the north (flush) section or at any other cemetery location of more than 42" in length will require four (4) 5" x 36" deep concrete anchors, set in two rows on 18 inch centers.

7. Surface vaults and covers will not be permitted (curved cement covers covering entire grave). Full grave cover granite ledgers will not be permitted. No graves are permitted to be covere with cement slabs, brick or any material except earth.

Section 3. Section 3-1014 of the Municipal Code of the City of Friend, Nebraska is amended as follows:

§3-1014 MUNICIPAL CEMETERY: CORNER POST PLACEMENT. Corner posts of any lot or plot shall be placed flush with the grave.

Section 4. Section 3-1015 of the Municipal Code of the City of Friend, Nebraska is amended as follows:

§3-1015 MUNICIPAL CEMETERY: BURIAL VAULT REQUIREMENT; DISPOSAL OF REMAINS (ASHES): COST OF GRAVE OPENINGS. No one shall be buried on any lot without the purchase of a rigid outer burial container (burial vault). This container shall surround the casket or coffin and must be made of concrete, galvanized steel or of other heavy-duty materials. The minimum required container shall be a concrete grave liner or sometimes referred to as concrete grave box.

Ashes must be placed in a suitable container, such as an urn, made specifically for the placement of cremated remains. All urns must be suitable for burial. Urns made of non-permanent material, such as wood or glass, must be placed in an urn vault. No scattering of ashes will be allowed on cemetery property. Cremains (ashes) of only one person shall be buried on a 5' x 10' space. If requested, and approved by the Board of Cemetery Trustees on a case-by-case basis, the cremains (ashes) of a second person can be buried on that same grave space by purchasing a second burial permit, equal to the current price of a grave space. Absolutely no more than two burials per grave space will be allowed.

<u>Section 5.</u> All ordinances or parts of ordinances passed and approved prior to the passage of this ordinance and which are in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

<u>Section 6.</u> This ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage, approval and either posting or publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

CITY OF FRIEND, NEBRASKA

MAYOR