

**HALFWAY CREEK LUTHERAN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA  
FEBRUARY 1, 2026**

**Call to order**

**Opening prayer:**

Lord Jesus, who art the Resurrection and the Life, we give Thee humble thanks for the priceless blessing of our glorious hope of the inheritance reserved in heaven for us, who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation. We beseech Thee, help us ever to cherish the memory of our dear departed and to walk in their footsteps. To this end be in our midst today and bless our deliberations, so that we may continue to provide a final resting place for the mortal remains of those who have fallen asleep in Thee. We ask this in Thy name, Amen.

**Secretary's Report:** February 2, 2025 Annual Meeting Minutes

**Treasurer's Report**

**Old Business:**

Digital Records Update

**New Business:**

**2026 Budget**

**Election of Trustee:** Treasurer—Kent Kramer (3-year term)

**Adjournment**

**Closing Prayer:** Lord's Prayer

## **Halfway Creek Lutheran Cemetery Association Annual Meeting Minutes, February 2, 2025**

Called to order 11:40 am by Ruth Scholze, President

38 members present

Opening prayer read by Ruth Scholze

Approved all reports – Secretary, Treasurer, & President

Old Business:

Vote to ratify Constitutional amendment to Article V from: “The trustees must be members of the association, members of the Halfway Creek Lutheran Church, and residents of the state of Wisconsin” to: “The trustees must be members of the association and/or members of the Halfway Creek Lutheran Church and residents of the state of Wisconsin.”  
Approved

Hannah spoke on digital records. All is going well, but it’s a long process.

New Business:

Need someone to mow—Joe & Kelly Anderson’s sons would like to mow

Clean up needed in the cemetery

Budget for 2025 approved

Election of President – Hannah Scholze elected to 3-year term as President

Meeting closed with prayer

Adjourn, 11:50 am

Mark Witte, Secretary

**ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT 2025  
HALFWAY CREEK LUTHERAN CEMETARY ASSOCIATION**

**Balance on hand January 1, 2025** **\$7,047.42**

**Income**

Myron & Susan Holley	\$550.00
Le Roy & Nancy Holley - Gift	\$200.00
Le Roy & Nancy Holley - Gas Card	\$100.00
Inez Severson - Gift	\$50.00
Dan & Laura Swift - Cemetery Plot	\$600.00
Miriam Heyer - Gift	\$100.00
Debbie & Jim Welander - Cemetery Plot	\$600.00
Victoria Klar - Memorial	\$100.00
Noisy Offering - Halfway Creek Church	\$436.55
Anna Leon - Gift	\$500.00
Marjorie Lee - Beulah Sanders Memorial	\$25.00
Gilbert & Marilyn Frederick - Ray Lee Memorial	\$25.00
Cd Interest	\$586.45
Perpetual Care Savings Interest	\$2.95
Dan Brudahl - Gas Card	\$100.00

**Total Income** **\$3,975.95**

**Expenses**

Tractor Central	\$209.48
Ace Hardware	\$203.85
Dan & Laura Swift - Perpetual Care	\$90.00
Debbie & Jim Welander - Perpetual Care	\$90.00
Lawn Mowing	\$1,500.00
Gas	\$200.00
Insurance (2024 & 2025)	\$500.00

**Total Expenses** **\$2,793.33**

**Balance on hand December 31, 2025** **\$8,230.04**

## PERPETUAL CARE ACCOUNT

### Balance on hand Jan.1, 2025

Perpetual Care CD	\$12,000.00	
Perpetual Care Savings	\$1,017.87	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$13,017.87</b>

### Income

Grave Site Perpetual Care	\$180.00
Perpetual Care CD Interest	\$586.45
Perpetual Care Savings Interest	\$2.95
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$769.40</b>

### Expenses

CD Interest paid to general account	\$586.45
Savings interest paid to general account	\$2.95
Transferred to CD from savings	\$500.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,089.40</b>

### Balance on hand 12-31-2025

Perpetual Care CD	\$12,500.00	
Perpetual Care Savings	\$697.87	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$13,197.87</b>

Dan Brudahl - Treasurer

## President's Report

It has been an active year for the Halfway Creek Lutheran Cemetery Association with several burials, lot sales, monument installations, and grounds clean-up. We had six burials throughout the summer and fall months for Victoria (Engstad) Klar, Harvey Miller, Marilyn Halvorsen, Dorothy (Skogen) Leon, Beulah Sanders, and Amanda Anderson.

A tremendous thank you goes out to Joe, Kelly, Blake, and Jordan Anderson for the amazing volunteer work they did not only mowing and trimming the cemetery this past year but also weeding and cleaning headstones. I would also like to extend a thank you to Dan Brudahl, Mark Witte, Bill Achterkirch, Jr., and La Verne Paulson for additional grounds clean-up and tree and stump removal that was done. I heard many compliments throughout the season about how nice the cemetery looked.

I would also like to thank Ruth Scholze for assisting with correspondence and promotion throughout the year and Dan Brudahl for his dedicated work as Treasurer over the last six years. I'm grateful to Kent Kramer for being willing to step into the role. Lastly, I would like to thank all those who gave memorials to the cemetery throughout the year. They are greatly appreciated.

Digital mapping of the cemetery remains an ongoing project. It has largely been completed for the Middle and New Sections of the cemetery but still needs to be done for the Old Section closest to the creek.

Looking ahead, the Trustees will be exploring options for temporary burial markers to better mark gravesites until a monument can be placed and creating a space at the back of the New Section of the cemetery near the dirt pile where vehicles can turn around.

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### Halfway Creek Lutheran Cemetery Association Budget 2026

Lawn care	\$4,000.00
Lawn care gas	\$500.00
Insurance/workman's comp/liability	\$250.00
Equipment repairs	\$300.00
Repairs to fence/gates	\$100.00
Signage	\$100.00
Town of Onalaska Water Run-off	\$7.00

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<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$5,257.00</b>
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