

SUNSET VIEW

Cemetery Retaining Wall Project

In the Spring of 2018, the City of Jonesville is beginning a project to restore retaining walls in the Sunset View Cemetery. The project will take place along the main entry of the Cemetery from Chicago Street/ US-12. The approximate location of the new retaining walls is shown in red shading in the photograph below.



This document is intended to provide some information about the project and to answer some common questions.

Why are new retaining walls needed? The ground in these areas is bare in some spots and starting to erode. In other spots, the field stone is coming loose and not holding the hill very well. The retaining walls will make sure that the ground stays stable and the grave sites in the area can be properly maintained.

Why are the walls being installed now? The City plans to pave the driveways in the Cemetery during the Spring of 2019. Installing the walls this year will allow the ground to settle along the driveway near the walls before the paving is completed. This will reduce the chances of the paving failing near the wall in the future. There is more detailed information about the timing of the phases of the project below.

What about the trees? There are four mature trees along the driveway where the retaining walls will be installed. These trees are growing into the slope of the ground. Unfortunately, the root systems of those trees make it impossible to install the wall without removing the trees. While the size of these trees cannot be replaced, the City has installed several new trees around the Cemetery this April. We also plan to install some additional trees whose root systems will be more compatible once the retaining wall is in.

Tentative Project Schedule

Mid- to Late-April 2018 – Trees will be removed.

Summer 2018 (approximately July) – City staff will install the retaining wall.

Fall 2018 – Additional trees will be planted at or near the new retaining wall.

Winter 2019 – Bids will be solicited for paving.

Spring 2019 – All paved Cemetery driveways will be re-paved.

Additional Questions?



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