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Cash Property Grave Removal Petition 2100 Production Drive (Apex) August 20, 2018











Purpose of Grave Removal

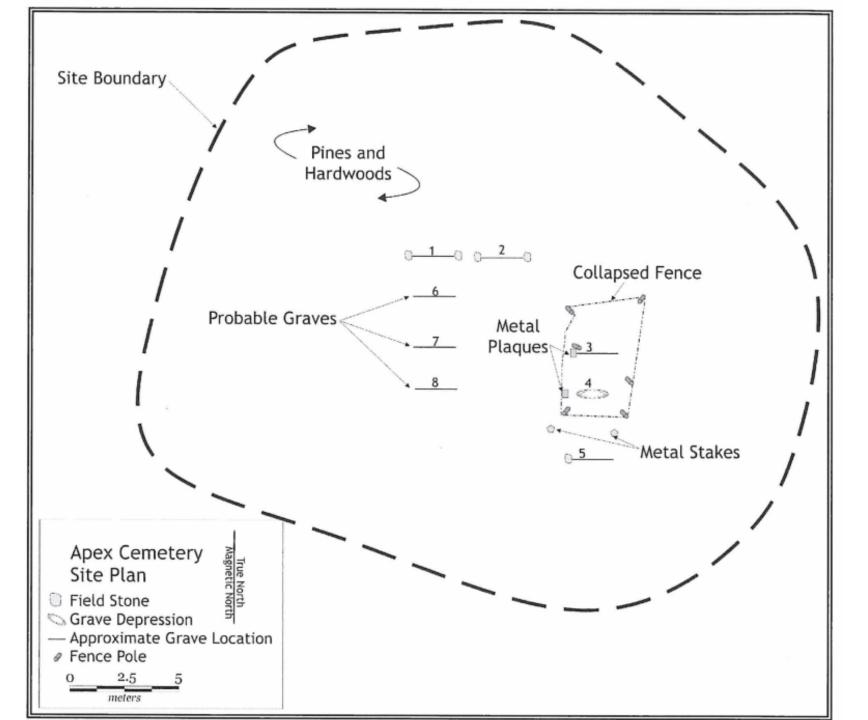
To accommodate the designation of the property as a North Carolina Certified Industrial Site and to move the remains to a properly maintained cemetery where they will receive perpetual care.

Petitioner:	Joanna Helms, Economic Development Director for the Town of Apex
Owner:	Fred Gray Cash, III of Jack1, LLC
Location:	2100 Production Drive (PIN 0751137742)
Zoning:	Apex's ETJ
Number of Graves in Petition:	Approximately 8—Actual number cannot be determined with certainty until the site is fully excavated.

Cemetery Location



Cemetery Survey



Cemetery Photographs

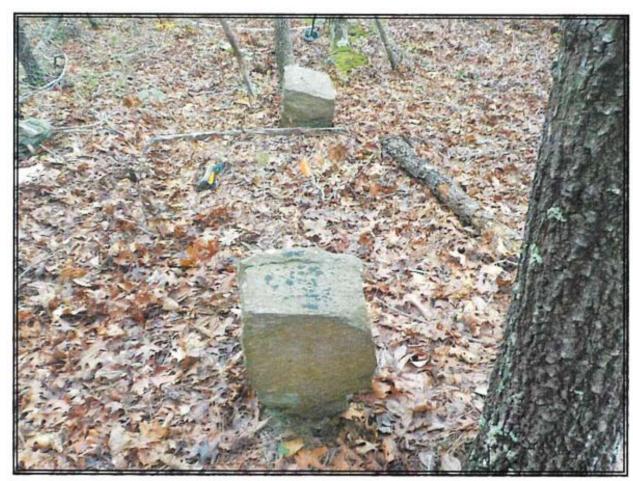


Figure 8. View of stone markers at Grave 2, facing east.

Figure 12. View of disturbed metal plaque at Grave 4 within fence, facing east.

Cemetery History

- There are 5 definitive graves—none have inscribed tombstones, 3 have fieldstone markers, and 2 have unreadable temporary funeral home plaques.
- There are also 3 probable graves indicated by loose soil (i.e.—possible grave shafts).
- Deeds for the property did not reference a cemetery.
- The petitioner was unable to conduct any genealogical research due to the lack of inscribed tombstones.

Cemetery History

 No records, or historical significance, was found, and no opposition to this petition has been received.

- Capital Area Preservation
- Irene Kittinger, Wake County Cemetery Survey Group
- Town of Apex planning staff

Grave Removal Process

- Under NCGS, the remains are required to be reinterred in a suitable cemetery.
- Work shall be performed by a licensed funeral director.
- Wake County Environmental Services staff will observe the disinterment.
- The petitioner (or funeral director) must record the Removal of Graves Certificate at the Register of Deeds Office after completing the reinterment.

Compliance with NCGS

- Legal notices appeared in the News and Observer newspaper on July 14th, 21st, 28th, and August 3rd, 2018.
- The remains will be reinterred in the Town of Apex Cemetery at 207 West Moore Street, where they will receive perpetual care.
- Planning staff posted the required notification signs at the property on August 8th, 2018 (and ran 2 N&O legal ads).
- No opposition has been received.

Town of Apex Cemetery--Reinterment

- 1. The Town of Apex cemetery is a publicly owned, perpetually maintained cemetery.
- 2. It is listed as a historical site of local interest.
- 3. The cemetery dates to the 1880's.

Reinterment Site



Town of Apex Cemetery Site



Staff Findings

- 1. The petitioner has fulfilled all of the requirements as outlined by the North Carolina General Statutes.
- 2. Removal of the cemetery is necessary to accommodate the designation of the property as a North Carolina Certified Industrial Site.
- 3. The remains will be reinterred in the Town of Apex Cemetery where they will receive perpetual care.

Staff Findings

- 4. No opposition to the removal and relocation of the cemetery.
- No evidence of any historical significance and its removal and relocation would not be detrimental to the general welfare of the County.

Public Hearing











Planning Staff Recommendation

That the Board of Commissioners APPROVE the disinterment, relocation, and reinterment of the cemetery as requested.

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