



The 'Green Monster' will soon be a thing of the past in Westlawn Cemetery in Wayne.

## 'Monster' chased from cemetery

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Editor

Officials in the City of Wayne said they plan to soon have all the monsters out of Westlawn Cemetery.

Well, sort of.

The Wayne City Council approved Tuesday night a plan to tear down 'The Green Monster,' an old storage shed, and replace it with a aesthetically-pleasing mortuary, according to Peter McInerney, community development director for the City of

Wayne.

The shed, little more than a long green cinder block storage bin, has been prominently located within the cemetery, which is along Michigan Avenue at the eastern entrance to the City of Wayne.

"Just getting rid of that will be a big improvement," he said.

The mausoleum will make much better use of the site and provide an upgrade to the cemetery. The 1,200-square foot mausoleum will be part of a three-phase improvement project at the

cemetery. Space in the mausoleum will be available for purchase. New signage will also be a part of the project.

John Baer, architect for the project, said he would construct a different storage shed on the property, but it will be at the back of the

land, where it will be unobtrusive to passersby.

"That's probably where it belongs, anyway," McInerney said.

# Environment loans affected by new laws

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Two bills designed to help small businesses and the environment were signed into law this week.

The two laws, part of Public Act 334 of 2004, were sponsored by State Sen. Ray Basham (D-Taylor) and State Sen. Liz Brater (D-Ann Arbor). They expand the Pollution Prevention Loan program administered by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), according to Basham.

They essentially expand the number of small businesses that can take part in the program and increase the amount of money they can be loaned.

"It's good for business and it's good for the environment,"

Basham said.

It's the second bill he's had signed into law this year.

Brater's portion of the law doubles the amount money eligible companies can get, from \$50,000 to \$100,000. Basham's portion makes the program open to businesses with 500 or fewer employees. It had been open to businesses with 100 or fewer employees previously.

Since the program already exists, it is already funded through the Clean Michigan Initiative, Basham said. That means it doesn't put any more pressure on an already-tight state budget.

The programs are administered through the DEQ, he said, and more information can be found at the DEQ web site at [www.deq.state.mich.us](http://www.deq.state.mich.us).

### ABSTRACT

#### WAYNE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NO. 2004-27 September 21, 2004

Regular Meeting of the City Council held Tuesday, September 21, 2004 at 8:00 p.m. at Wayne City Hall, 3355 South Wayne Rd. Members Present: Haidous, Dobrowolski, Shackelford, Hartford, Rowe. Members Absent: McEachern, Kelly, both excused. Moment of Silence for Ron Mason. Held Public Hearing & first reading of proposed amendments to Chapter 1256.02 & 1262.02 regarding Neighborhood Business (B-2) Zoning District. Presented 2004 Diamond of Community Award to Lottie Carlisle. APPROVED: minutes of Regular Meeting of September 7, 2004;

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