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New Cemetery road completed

The Harlan Cemetery Association, with in-kind help from the City of Harlan removed a 300' stretch of asphalt which made room for a new five-inch-thick concrete roadway.

Cemetery board members said the 300' stretch of new concrete is part of several improvements planned for the cemetery. Other projects include more concrete roadwork, new gates, signage improvements as well as discussion of metal fencing to go along the east boundary of the cemetery.

The funds to complete the new roadway came from the estates of Mr. & Mrs. Everett Atkinson, former area residents.

Cemetery Association board members include Don Stowe, Eldon Erickson, Mickey Williams, Bill

Early, and Al Ickes.

The newly created Harlan Cemetery Foundation received over 168 donations from across the U.S. and funds continue to be donated for its fund-drive. The Foundation has raised over \$12,000 toward assisting the Cemetery Association with future road work, fencing, new entrance gates, section signs and an online burial directory.

Board members include: Seth Johannsen, John Vanderheiden, Carol Christensen, Richard Jones, Al Ickes, Julienne Ferry and Alan Mores.

Their board reported former Harlan High School classes are working on having a class project to enhance the cemetery and other plans include new sculpted metal gates at the east entrance.