

State Board of Cemeterians
Minutes
January 27, 2009

A meeting of the State Board of Cemeterians was held on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at Martin Luther King Jr. SE., Room 1816A West Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

Meeting was called to order by President Richard Parker at 10:05 a.m.

A quorum was established with members being present:

- Richard Parker (President)
- Daniel (Dan) Greene (Vice-President)
- William (Micky) Couey
- Clift Dempsey
- Emory Lamar
- Mike Lawrence
- Tim Smith

Staff Present:

- Debra Ferguson, Cemeteries Director, Securities and Business Regulation
- Roy White, Registration Supervisor, Securities and Business Regulation
- Melissa Marlowe, Senior Investigator, Securities and Business Regulation
- Lori Young, Investigative Analyst, Securities and Business Regulation
- Becky Wallace, Senior Examiner, Securities and Business Regulation
- Jessica Hogan, Intern
- Sandy Irving, Board Secretary, Securities and Business Regulation

Other Present:

- Mike Helmase Lincoln Cemetery & GCA
- Curtis Daniel III

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Debra Ferguson, Cemeteries Director provided the Board with an update on Cedar Ridge Cemetery.

No public comments.

Mr. Smith moved, Mr. Greene seconded and the Board voted to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2008 meeting.

Enforcement Cases Presented for Closing; by Debra Ferguson,
Cemeteries Director

- CO-986 Evergreen Memorial
- CO-988 North Atlanta Memorial Park
- CO-994 Forest Hills Memorial Gardens
- CO-1001 Forest Lawn Memory Gardens, LLC.
- ENCM-00241 Crest Lawn Memorial Park

Mr. Dempsey moved, Mr. Couey seconded and the Board voted to close the above enforcement cases.

ENCM-00307- Camp Grave Service

Mr. Green moved, Mr. Dempsey seconded and the Board voted to close the case.

Debra Ferguson, presented ENCM-00108 Barton Funeral Home; Board member Clift Dempsey presented the Secretary of State's office with a letter from Shepard Helton concerning the issues, The Board decided to defer the matter until the next meeting.

Debra Ferguson presented the Savannah Cemetery Group complaints:

- CO-944
- CO-945
- CO-946
- CO-951

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The Board asked that a Secretary of State's staff member call Mr. Nikola to determine the status of issues regarding installation of vaults.

Debra Ferguson requested a formal order of investigation be approved for Westview Cemetery regarding CO-983. The board discussed the issues of the complaint. Mr. Couey moved, Mr. Lamar seconded and the Board voted to approve a Formal Order of Investigation for complaint CO-983 Westview Cemetery.

Report of Registration: by Debra Ferguson, Cemeteries Director

Resthaven Gardens of Memory- Dekalb – This matter is in litigation between owners of the Cemetery (No action by the Board)

Mr. Dempsey moved, Mr. Greene seconded and the Board voted to recess for ten minutes.

Other Business:

Upon return from recess Clift Dempsey made a motion to discuss the Attorney General's response to Mr. Terry's request for advice concerning installation of merchandise and registration of wholesale dealers. Tim Smith suggested the issue be deferred until of Jeff Stump was present to discuss issues.

Mr. Smith moved, Mr. Dempsey seconded, and the Board deferred discussion until next Board meeting.

Mr. Lawrence moved, Mr. Greene seconded and the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:15.

Minutes approved by the Board at its February 24, 2009 Board Meeting.