

**State Board of Cemeterians  
Minutes  
November 20, 2009  
Telephonic Meeting**

A telephonic meeting of the State Board of Cemeterians was held on Friday November 20, 2009 at 10: 05 a.m. Martin Luther King Jr. SE. Room 802 West Tower, Atlanta, Ga. 30334.

**A quorum was established with members presents:**

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

**Staff Present:**

- Jeff Stump, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney General's Office
- Debra Ferguson, Cemeteries Director, Securities and Business Regulation
- Roy White, Registration Supervisor, Securities and Business Regulation
- Melissa Marlowe, Senior Investigator, Securities and Business Regulation
- Becky Wallace, Senior Examiner, Securities and Business Regulation
- Sandy Irving, Board Secretary, Securities and Business Regulation

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

No Public Comments

Mr. Couey moved, Mr. Lamar seconded and the Board voted to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2009 meeting.

Mr. Smith moved, Mr. Dempsey seconded and the Board voted to enter into **EXECUTIVE SESSION** in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4 (b) § 35-3-38 to review background information concerning the following preneed salesperson applications:

1. Priscilla Catlin
2. Randall Sampson

After review of criminal backgrounds, Mr. Dempsey moved, Mr. Lamar seconded and the Board voted to conclude the **EXECUTIVE SESSION**. The board returned to **Open Session**.

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1. File I- 1709, Preneed Sales application, Priscilla Catlin, Mr. Lawrence moved, Mr. Lamar seconded and the Board voted to issue a Notice and Proposed Order of denial for the preneed sales agent application.
2. File I-1713, Preneed Sales application, Randall Sampson, Mr. Lamar moved, Mr. Smith seconded and the Board voted to issue a Notice and Proposed Order of denial for the preneed sales agent application.

### **Orders:**

1. Woodlawn Memorial Park, PC-000028, Mr. Lamar moved, Mr. Couey seconded the Board voted to issue final orders.
2. Greenwood Cemetery, PCPN-000224, Mr. Lamar moved, Mr. Couey seconded the Board voted to issue final orders.
3. EastLawn Memorial Cemetery, PCPN-000203, Mr. Smith moved, Mr. Lawrence seconded and the Board voted to issue final orders. The board discussed also sending a letter to Mr. M. Jay Staines and Ms. Sharon Adams regarding change of ownership of the cemetery.
4. File I-1616, Preneed Sales Agent application, Leeta A. Simmons, Mr. Lawrence moved, Mr. Dempsey seconded and the Board voted to issue final orders.

### **Others Business:**

Mr. Parker, board president, suggested the regular board meeting time be changed to 10:30 a.m. All board members agreed to the time change.

Jeff Stump, Assistant Attorney General, updated the Board concerning Cedar Ridge Cemetery, Inc. Mr. Stump advised the board that the judge allowed Mr. Bridges until December 1, 2009 to correct all issues. After December 1<sup>st</sup>, Mr. Bridges will be fined \$500.00 per day for noncompliance. Next court date scheduled for December 14, 2009.

Mr. Dempsey moved, Mr. Couey seconded and the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 11:45.

**Minutes approved by the Board at its January 26, 2010 Board meeting.**