

Georgia State Board of Cemeterians
Board Meeting Minutes – February 20, 2018 - 10:00 A.M.
Via Teleconference
Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State
237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217

Members Present:

- Clift Dempsey – Chair
- William (Micky) Couey
- Emory Lamar
- Tim Smith
- Mike Lawrence
- Richard Parker – Vice Chair

Others Present:

- La Trena Tyler-Jones, Executive Director
- Laurie Elander, Licensing Supervisor
- Carla Murray, Licensing Analyst
- Sandy Barboza, Board Support Specialist
- Forrest Pearce, Assistant Attorney General

Members Absent:

- Dan Greene

Note: Visitors are excused during Executive Session unless scheduled for a personal appearance.

Call to Order: Clift Dempsey, Chair, noted a quorum was present, called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m., and declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§50-14-1 et seq.

OPEN SESSION:

Agenda:

The Board reviewed the Agenda for the December 19, 2017 meeting. Micky Couey moved, Emory Lamar seconded, and the Board voted to approve the agenda.

Minutes:

Tim Smith moved, Emory Lamar seconded, and the Board voted to approve the December 19, 2017 Open Session minutes and Executive Session minutes.

Licenses Issued Report:

The Board reviewed the following Report of Licenses Issued 12-14-2017 thru 02-18-2018 (Total – 14):

License #	Licensee
PA003861	Saundra Faye Maddox
PA003862	Verria Hairston
PA003863	Benjamin Alan Nelms
PA003864	Devin John Russo
PA003865	Jonathan Michael Matheney
PA003866	Vyanna Lynn Young-Davis
PA003867	Inez Delois Giles

License #	Licensee
PA003868	Steven Mark Rector
PA003869	Leslie Marie Nichols
PA003870	George Nicholas, IV
PA003871	Robert A Price
PA003872	Justtina Noel' Owens
PA003873	Harriett W Bells
PC000703	Westwood Gardens

Richard Parker moved, Emory Lamar seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the licenses issued between meetings in accordance with Board rules and policies.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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At the conclusion of Executive Session, the Chair declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq., at 11:01 a.m. No votes were taken during Executive Session.

OPEN SESSION:

Tim Smith moved, Emory Lamar seconded, and the motion was carried by the Board to ratify the following recommendations made during Executive Session:

Applications:

None

Complaints:

ENCE - 0030 - close – Clift Dempsey will contact local city government.
ENCE - 0181 - close – resolved - Clift Dempsey recused.
ENCE - 0196 - table - Refer to Inspection to obtain a statement from the cemetery owner.
ENCE - 0199 - table – Refer to Inspection to re-inspect.
ENCE - 0203 - table - Refer to Inspection to obtain a copy of the contract and verify it is the original.
ENCE - 0205 - table - Refer to Inspection to re-inspect.

Attorney General's Report:

Discussed ongoing complaint ENCE-0030.

Other Business:

Discussed the Legislative Session.


There being no further business, Tim Smith moved, Micky Couey seconded and the Board voted to adjourn at 11:11 a.m.

The Georgia State Board Cemeterians will hold their next meeting on April 17, 2018, at 11:00 a.m. at the Professional Licensing Board Office.


Minutes recorded by: Sandra Barboza, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by: La Trenda Tyler-Jones, Executive Director

Minutes were approved on: April 17, 2018



Clift Dempsey, Chair
Tim Smith



La Trenda Tyler-Jones, Executive Director

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ENCE - 0205

Attorney General's Report:

Discussed ENCE-0030

Meeting minutes were prepared by Sandy Barboza, Board Support Specialist
Meeting minutes were reviewed by La Trenda Tyler-Jones, Executive Director
Meeting minutes approved on April 17, 2018.

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COUNTY OF BIBB

AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A 50-14-1 et seq., requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specified exemptions relied upon. O.C.G. A. 50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meetings in question.

Comes Clift Dempsey, the Chairman identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the Georgia State Board of Cemeterians.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and subject to penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On **February 20, 2018** this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of members present voted to close the meeting or a portion hereof of the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
4. The legal authority for closure of this meeting was: O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k).
5. The subjects discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are as follows:

Applications and other personal information submitted by the applicants; information, Favorable or unfavorable, submitted by a reference source concerning an applicant; and Deliberations of the Board with respect to an application, an examination, a complaint, an Investigation, or a disciplinary proceeding.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Clift Dempsey
PRESIDING OFFICER

with express permission by
LaTrenda Tyler-Jones, Executive Director

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th
Day of February, 2018.

Jenny H Chapman
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 11/5/21

