

#### STATE OF LOUISIANA

#### LOUISIANA CEMETERY BOARD

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Lucy L. McCann Director

# CERTIFICATION OF INABILITY TO MEET IN PERSON DUE TO COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY FOR LOUISIANA CEMETERY BOARD

In accordance with Executive Proclamations JBE 2020-30 and 2020-33, issued by Governor John Bel Edwards on March 16, 2020 and March 22, 2020, respectively (and as amended and extended by JBE 2020-41 and JBE 2020-52), this notice shall serve as a certification of the Louisiana Cemetery Board's ("Board") inability to otherwise operate in accordance with the Louisiana Open Meetings Law as a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency. Pursuant to Section 4 of 30-JBE-2020, the Board will provide for attendance and quorum at its essential government meeting on May 15, 2020, via video conference. In addition, under Section 2 of 33-JBE-2020, Governor Edwards ordered all public gatherings of ten (10) or more people to be suspended or postponed. The Board is composed of seven (7) members, not including the necessary staff to run regular meetings. It is essential for the Board to continue to operate because it must administer the state's regulatory interest in cemeteries pursuant to La. R.S. 8:61, et seq. Considering the foregoing, and in accordance with Proclamation Numbers JBE 2020-30 and JBE 2020-33 (as amended and extended by JBE 2020-41 and JBE 2020-52), the Board's meeting on Friday, May 15, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. will be held via video conference and in a manner that allows for observation and input by members of the public, as set forth in the Notice posted on May 6, 2020.

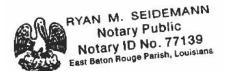
> Lucille L. McCann Director

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana this 4<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020

Ryan M. Seidemann

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF LOUISIANA

Notary Public No. 77139 My Commission Expires at Death



## AGENDA LOUISIANA CEMETERY BOARD May 15, 2020

#### 1. <u>Call to order – 9:00 A.M. – Via Video Conference</u>

Link to meeting:

https://zoom.us/j/92854132320?pwd=eDQrWjZCZTN6cmhZdEJnSVkrLzhxQT09

Note: You may be required to download the Zoom app on your computer or other electronic device.

#### 2. Roll Call & Introductions

- a) Welcome new Board Member representing 1st Public Service Commission District Sherri S. Peppo
- 3. Public Comment Public Comments will be heard pursuant to Section 4 of the LCB's Policies and Procedures Manuel (copy attached.)
- 4. Approval of Minutes

Board Meetings – November 14, 2019 and November 15, 2019 (Topic #1)

#### 5. Reports of Officers

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

### Secretary/Treasurer (Topic #2)

- b) Statement of Operations for year ending December 31, 2019
- c) Cash & Investments as of December 31, 2019
- d) Statement of Operations January through April 30, 2020
- e) Cash & Investments as of April 30, 2020
- f) Budget vs. Actual January through April 2020

#### 6. Report of Director

#### 7. Approval of Applications for Pre-Construction Sales Projects (Topic #3)

- a) The Congregation of St. Bernard Roman Catholic Church d/b/a St. Bernard Cemetery #2, Breaux Bridge, LA Garden Chapel Mausoleum
- b) Westlawn Cemeteries, LLC d/b/a Westlawn Memorial Park and Cemetery, Gretna, LA
  Redeemer Mausoleum Phase III, Building B
- c) St. Peters Roman Catholic and Our Landy of Perpetual Help Church d/b/a Holy Family Cemetery, New Iberia, LA Garden Mausoleum Plaza VIII, Phase 1
- d) SCI Louisiana Funeral Services, Inc. d/b/a Greenoaks Memorial Park, Baton Rouge, LA Garden of Apostles Mausoleum Addition

#### 8. Ratification of Certificates of Authority issued:

#### 2019 Non-Exempt (New/Transfers):

- a) #19-546 Congregation of St. Theresa Roman Catholic Church of Gonzales, LA d/b/a Sacred Heart Cemetery at Cornerview, Gonzales, LA
- b) #19-547 Kilpatrick's Rose-Neath Funeral Homes, Crematorium and Cemeteries, Inc. d/b/a Gardens of Memory, Shreveport
- c) #19-548 Kilpatrick's Rose-Neath Funeral Homes, Crematorium and Cemeteries, Inc. d/b/a Rose Neath Cemetery, Bossier City, LA
- d) #19-549 Kilpatrick's Rose-Neath Funeral Homes, Crematorium and Cemeteries, Inc. d/b/a Round Grove Memorial Gardens, Shreveport, LA

#### 2019 Non-Exempt (Renewals):

a) #19-550

#### 2019 Exempts (Renewals):

- a) #0786E Monclova Baptist Church d/b/a Monclova Baptist Church Cemetery, Waterproof, LA
- b) #1138E John Berkenstock d/b/a B & K Family Cemetery, Keatchie, LA
- c) #0052E Collins Cemetery Association, Inc d/b/a Collins Cemetery, Ponchatoula, LA
- d) #0663E The Light House Full Gospel Church d/b/a The Light House Full Gospel Church Cemetery, Denham Spring, LA
- e) #0905E Doty Road Church of God d/b/a Church of God Cemetery, Ferriday, LA

#### 2020 Non-Exempt (New/Transfers):

- a) #20-001 Carter Cemetery Association of Springfield, Inc. d/b/a Carter Cemetery, Springfield, LA
- b) #20-002 The Pleasant Hill Baptist Church of Youngsville, Inc. d/b/a Pleasant Hill Gardens, Youngsville, LA
- c) #20-521 The Congregation of Saint Edwards Roman Catholic Church d/b/a St. Edward's Cemetery No. 2, New Iberia, LA

#### 2020 Non-Exempt (Renewals):

- a) #20-003 #20-520:
- b) #20-522 #20-537

#### 2020 CSO (Renewals):

a) #CSO-20-01 - #CSO-20-06

#### 2020 CMO (Renewals):

a) #CMO-20-01 - #CMO-20-05

#### 2020 ACSML (Renewals):

a) #ACSML-20-01

#### Exempts (New):

- a) #1473E Aloha-St. Rose Cemetery Association, Inc. d/b/a Aloha-St. Rose Cemetery, Colfax, LA
- b) #1474E St. Matthew Baptist Church of Rayne, Inc. d/b/a St. Matthew Baptist Church Pastor Cozy L. Gade Sr. Memorial Cemetery, Rayne, LA
- c) #1475E Millard Thomas, Jr. and Josephine White Thomas d/b/a M & J Thomas Family Cemetery, Independence, LA
- d) #1476E Rodden Farms, Inc. d/b/a Rodden Family Cemetery, Delhi, LA
- e) #1477E Summerville Baptist Church d/b/a Summerville Baptist Church Cemetery, Olla, LA
- f) #1478E H Cormier, M Cormier, T Cormier, & J Cormier d/b/a HJ Cormier Family Cemetery, Vinton, LA
- g) #1479E Macedonia Freewill Baptist Church of Independence LA, Inc d/b/a Macedonia Freewill Baptist Church Cemetery, Independence, LA
- h) #1480E St. Joseph Baptist Church d/b/a St. Joseph Cemetery, Pelican, LA
- i) #1481E Joshua Adam Dunn d/b/a Dunn Hill, Hineston, LA
- j) #1482E Charles E. Kennedy d/b/a Charles E. Kennedy Cemetery, Franklinton, LA
- k) #1483E Emmanuel Baptist Church of Donaldsonville, Louisiana d/b/a Emmanuel Baptist Church Cemetery, Donaldsonville, LA

#### 9. Reports of Committees

**Executive Committee** 

**Administrative Committee** 

#### **Examination & Inspection Committee**

a) April 2020 Summary Report (Topic #4)

Rules and Regulations Committee

#### 10. <u>Old Business</u>

#### 11. New Business

- a) Discussion regarding industry and regulatory issues related to Covid-19
- b) Late fee waiver requests: (Topic #5)
  - ) Eunice North Cemetery Board d/b/a Eunice North Cemetery, Eunice, LA
  - ii) Town of Washington d/b/a Cedar Hill Cemetery, Washington, LA
- c) Request for travel approval:
  - i) DCRA Convention
  - ii) Tri-State Cemetery Convention, August 16-18, 2020 Natchez, Mississippi
- d) 2020 Legislation (Topic #6)
- e) Ratification of Proposed Consent Agreements (Topic #7)
  - i) Docket No. 2020-003-I The Congregation of Saint John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church d/b/a St. John Cemetery Lafayette, LA
  - ii) Docket No. 2019-040-E Garden of Memories of Alexandria, Inc. d/b/a Garden of Memories of Alexandria Alexandria, LA

#### 12. Executive Session

- a) State of Louisiana and the Louisiana Cemetery Board versus Stephanie Means Green, Denise Baranco, Wayne A. Matthews, Sr., Ronald R. Matthews, Dollie Matthews, Darryl G. Baranco, Sr., Mignon Baranco Fontenette, June B. Gumbel, Joseph S. Baranco, Jr., Christopher P. Baranco, Robert G. Baranco, III, Ramon M. Baranco, Schyvanda T. Baranco, Edith B. Baranco, David Brian Baranco, Sr., Nineteenth Judicial District Court, Parish of East Baton Rouge, Docket No. 613710, Section 24
- b) State of Louisiana and the Louisiana Cemetery Board's Motion for Leave of Court to Intervene, Petition of Intervention and Rule to Show Case - In Re: Eugene J. Sonnier, II versus The Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of Lafayette, et al., Docket No. C-20146291, 15th Judicial District Court, Parish of Lafayette
- State of Louisiana by and through the Louisiana Čemetery Board versus Oak Lane Memorial Park, L.L.C., Docket No. 119,440 Division C, Twenty-Third Judicial District Court, Parish of Ascension – Petition to Enforce Final Judgment and to make Judgment Executory
- d) Karen Sue Giles versus Oak Lane Memorial Park, L.L.C. and National Information Services, Inc., et al Docket No. 112,974 Division A, Twenty-Third Judicial District Court, Parish of Ascension Stipulated Judgment
- e) Westlawn Cemeteries, LLC versus The Louisiana Cemetery Board Docket No. 795-617 Division J, Twenty-Fourth Judicial District Court, Parish of Jefferson – Petition for Declaratory Judgment
- f) False River Memorial Park, LLC versus The Louisiana Cemetery Board Docket No. 802060 Division K, Twenty-Fourth Judicial District Court, Parish of Jefferson – Petition for Review of Administrative Adjudication and Request for Stay Order Pending Appeal

## LOUISIANA CEMETERY BOARD POLICIES & PROCEDURES MANUAL

## **SECTION 4 – Time Limits for Public Comments**

Approved by Louisiana Cemetery Board on February 21, 2013.

Members of the public attending meetings of the Louisiana Cemetery Board have the right to be recognized and heard as commenting on agenda items. However, an unlimited exercise of public comment will disrupt the public meeting. For this reason, the Board finds that it is appropriate to set certain parameters for public comment that both honor and permit the public's right to be heard and to participate in the public meeting as well as allowing the Board to timely conduct its business and to maintain an orderly and timely agenda.

For these reasons, the Board adopts the following policy regarding public comment during its meetings:

- 1. For each agenda item for which public comment is requested, it shall be the general policy of the Board to allow each individual desiring to make public comment relevant to that agenda item a total five (5) minutes comment time.
- 2. The Chair shall have the sole discretion to grant a public comment speaker's request to loan, cede, defer, or yield his allotted time to another public comment speaker who has not yet addressed the Board.
- 3. The Chair may grant or deny speakers additional time to comment over and above the allotted time set forth herein.
- 4. However, under no circumstances, whether additional time is granted by the Chair or public comment speakers' allotted times are loaned, ceded, deferred or yielded and combined with other public comment speakers' allotted times, the TOTAL ALLOTTED TIME FOR ALL PUBLIC COMMENT FOR EACH AGENDA ITEM SHALL NOT EXCEED TWENTY (20) MINUTES.
- 5. Should the remarks of the public comment speaker be deemed not germane to the particular agenda item being discussed, or should the public comment speaker exceed his allotted time, the Chair may, in his discretion, end that public comment.

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