

*Arkansas State Board of Embalmers, Funeral Directors, Cemeteries, and Burial Services
Special Meeting Minutes*

Tuesday, February 4, 2020
1200 West Third Street
1st Floor Hearing Room
Little Rock, AR
10:00 a.m.

Chairman Bill Booker called the meeting to order. Member(s) present: Billy Curl, Professional Member, Chuck Dearman, Professional Member, Rausch Hodges, Professional Member, Stephanie Neipling, Consumer Member, Josephine Perry, Senior Citizens Member, James Bruce Smithson, Professional Member, and Steve Whitwell, Professional Member and Vice-Chair. Member(s) absent: Commissioner, Allen Kerr, Professional Member.

Staff present, Amy Goode, Executive Secretary, Lorin Hillery, Auditor, Amelia Vestal, Senior Securities Examiner, and Amanda Gibson, Arkansas Insurance Department, Associate Counsel.

1. **Call to Order** – Introduction of Board members and staff.
2. **Approval of the Agenda**

Chairman Booker inquired if there was any desire to change or deviate from the proposed agenda. Hearing none, the Board preceded with the agenda as prepared by staff.

3. **Old Business**

- a. **Perpetual Care Cemeteries Application for Permit Amendment** ([*§20-17-1011 Permit-Amendment*](#))

- i. To consider amending the permit by the reduction of boundaries of **Hollywood Cemetery**, Hot Springs (License No. 11811) through a reduction of 10 acres.
 - ii. To consider amending the permit by the reduction of boundaries of **Memorial Gardens Cemetery**, Hot Springs (License No. 11813) through a reduction of 4 acres.
 - iii. To consider the transfer of ownership of **CedarVale Cemetery**, Hot Springs Village (License No. 11814) managed and operated by Selected Financial Properties, Inc. (“SFP”) which is a wholly owned Subsidiary of Selected Financial Service Corp. (“SFSC”) to Mr. Steve Pegram.
 - iv. To consider the transfer of ownership of **Crestview Cemetery**, Hot Springs (License No. 11862) managed and operated by Selected Financial

Properties, Inc. (“SFP”) which is a wholly owned Subsidiary of Selected Financial Service Corp. (“SFSC”) to Mr. Steve Pegram.

- v. To consider the transfer of ownership of **Greenwood Cemetery**, Hot Springs (License No. 11859) from Greenwood Properties, Inc. to Mr. Steve Pegram.
- vi. To consider the transfer of ownership of **Hollywood Cemetery**, Hot Springs (License No. 11811) managed and operated by Selected Financial Properties, Inc. (“SFP”) which is a wholly owned Subsidiary of Selected Financial Service Corp. (“SFSC”) to Mr. Steve Pegram.
- vii. To consider the transfer of ownership of **Memorial Gardens Cemetery**, Hot Springs (License No. 11812) managed and operated by Selected Financial Properties, Inc. (“SFP”) which is a wholly owned Subsidiary of Selected Financial Service Corp. (“SFSC”) to Mr. Steve Pegram.

Chuck Dearman recused himself from the discussion and voting, because he’s a stockholder in the parent company.

Motion made by Curl to approve items i-ii the reduction of boundaries and items iii-vii transfer of ownership from Selected Financial Properties, Inc. to Raven KS, LLC (Steve Pegram), seconded by Smithson, all in favor. Motion carried.

4. **Next Meeting Date(s)**

a. **Tuesday, March 10, 2020 (9:00 a.m.)**

5. **Comments and Announcements**

Staff discussed with the Board about the room use at the new building and the need to set meetings for the rest of the calendar year in advance. Staff recommended setting meetings for the 3rd Tuesday of May, July, September, and November. Special meetings would be handled as they arise. Board did not have any objections.

6. **Adjournment**

Motion made by Smithson to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:22 a.m., no objection, all in favor. Motion carried.