

# Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers Public Meeting Minutes

Funeral Directors & Embalmers Board Mar 13, 2024 at 3:00 PM EDT @ 7 Eagle Square Concord NH - Hearings Room

## Attendance

Present:

Members: Vinnie Baiocchetti, , Ryann Healy, Susan Hopkins, Matt Roan, Eric Rochette

Staff: Terese Barton-Board Administator, Cassandra Brown-Board Counsel, Tracey Sopinks -LSR

## I. Call to Order

Board Chair V. Baiocchetti called the Funeral Directors and Embalmer Public Meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

## II. Approval of Public Minutes

A. Funeral Meeting Minutes from February 14, 2024

Upon a motion by S. Hopkins and seconded by R. Healy, the Board voted to accept the February 14 meeting minutes, with a roll call vote.

## **III.** Applications

- A. Apprentice Embalmer Application
  - 1. Larissa Nichols

R. Healy interviewed Larissa Nicholas and Sponsor for Ms. Nichols the apprentice embalmer application. R. Healy reviews the apprenticeship requirements with the applicant and sponsor.

## IV. OPLC/Board Administrator Updates

## V. Legislative and/or Rules Updates

- 1095 amendment, discussion.
- Peter Moring NHFDA via zoom
- A. Need to vote to initiate rulemaking and vote in a board member as liaison.

Frl 301.02 - 301.09, Frl 302.02 - 302.04, and 303.01 - 303.03.

## Motion:

Upon a motion by V. Baiocchetti and seconded by S. Hopkins, the Board voted for M. Roan to be the liaison for the rulemaking process, with a roll call vote.

- B. Rules with Tina/Frl 200-Adopted Text & Cover Letter & Frl 404 Final Proposal
  - 1. Frl 200 Adopted Text with Cover Letter

#### Motion:

Upon a motion by M. Roan and seconded by S. Hopkins the Board voted to adopt the 200's Adopted Text, with an all-roll call vote.

2. Frl 404 - Final Proposal - Draft

Upon a motion by M. Roan and seconded by E. Rochette, the Board voted to accept the Frl 404 - Final Proposal, with a roll call vote.

#### VI. Review Funeral Home and Crematory Inspections

- A. Susan Hopkins assigned inspections
  - Zis Sweeney Funeral Home assigned 11/17/23 Passed
- B. Matthew Roan assigned inspections
- C. Ryann Healy assigned inspections
- D. Eric Rochette assigned inspections
- E. Vinnie Baiocchetti assigned inspections

#### VII. Continuing Education Review

A. Eric Rochette

#### Motion:

Approved all CE requests.

B. Matthew Roan

#### Motion:

Approved the 2024 OGR conference. Innovations in Licensing denied 1 hour, Funeral Services Administrators' Forum denied 2.5 hours, and District Meetings denied for 2 hours. A total of 5 hours not approved.

C. Susan Hopkins

#### Motion:

Approval all CE's requests

D. Ryan Healy

Motion: Approved all CE's requests.

#### VIII. Non-Public

Enter non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3, II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, RSA 325:33, I. RSA 325:34, VI, and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

#### Motion:

Upon a motion by V. Baiocchetti and seconded by S. Hopkins, the Board voted to move into Non-Public session, with a roll call vote.

#### IX. Sealing of Non-Public Minutes

Return to public session and withhold the minutes of the preceding non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a board member and/or to render the proposed action ineffective is not subject to public disclosure pursuant to RSA 325:33, I, RSA 325:34, VI.

#### Motion:

Upon a motion by V. Baiocchetti and seconded by S. Hopkins, the Board voted to Seal the Non-Public minutes at 3:56 pm.

#### X. Adjournment - Next Board meeting is April 10, 2024

#### Motion:

Upon a motion by V. Baiocchetti and seconded by M. Roan, the Board voted to Adjourn at 3:57 pm.