

BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
June 3, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Darrell L. McClam, Embalmer, Chairperson
Daniel Jowdy, Embalmer
William Moriarty, Public Member

BOARD MEMBER NOT PRESENT:

Edgar Rodriguez, Embalmer

DPH STAFF PRESENT:

Aden Baume, Legal Counsel to the Board
Julienne Cutaia, Staff Attorney
Christian Andresen, Section Chief, Practitioner Licensing & Investigations
Laura Morris, Public Health Services Manager
Paula DelGrego, LMSW, Health Program Supervisor
Frank Manna, License and Applications Analyst
Betty J. Rozario, Board Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Darrell L. McClam called the meeting to order at 9:26 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Darrell L. McClam moved to approve the March 4, 2025, minutes. William Moriarty seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by acclamation.

Daniel Jowdy moved to approve the March 24, 2025, minutes. William Moriarty seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by acclamation.

Daniel Jowdy moved to approve the May 9, 2025, minutes. William Moriarty seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by acclamation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Timothy Carmon, Jesse Gomes, and John Gomes all commented regarding a pending administrative discipline matter.

CHAIR UPDATES

Darrell McClam wanted it noted on the record to have a future discussion regarding funding for social services and Connecticut licensing requirements.

HEARING

In re: Philip M. Pietras, Embalmer, Burkin Fortin Funeral Home

Petition Nos. 2024-1609, 2024-1620, 2025-206

Julienne Cutaia, Staff Attorney

Staff Attorney Julienne Cutaia appeared on behalf of the Department. Respondent was not present. Respondent requested a continuance via email on June 3, 2025, with objection from the Department. Respondent's request for a continuance was granted.

The continued hearing is scheduled for July 1, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams.

ADJOURN

Daniel Jowdy moved to adjourn the meeting. William Moriarty seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Darrell L. McClam
Chairperson