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BY ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

Ms. Johnette Magner KTBS News Shreveport, Louisiana

Re: Public Records Request

Forest Park East Cemetery, Shreveport, Louisiana Forest Park West Cemetery, Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Ms. Magner:

Pursuant to your Public Records Request, the Louisiana Cemetery Board provides the following in response:

September 19, 2001 (June 21, 2001): Forest Park West Cemetery, Forest Park Cemetery of Shreveport, LA, and Loewen LA Holding, Inc. (J.P. Gabille, V.P.) sold to Letum, Inc. (Robert C Lomison, President; John L. Yeatman, Treasurer; and Guy N Saxton, Secretary and Board Chairman). Mr. Lomison's address on file is 2650 N. Third Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110

January 23, 2004: Robert C. Lomison became the sole owner of all stock in Forest Park East Associates and Forest Park West Associates. Mr. Lomison's address is 2650 N. Third Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110

May 25, 2025: Matthew Seyler purchased all outstanding ownership interest in both cemeteries from Robert C. Lomison. Mr. Seyler's address is 1014 Kent Dr., Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

The following is in response to your additional inquiries:

Complaints received for Forest Park East from 2023-2025:

2025-014-C	06/5/25	Grounds and trees are unkept
2024-014-C	4/18/24	two grave markers placed on her pre-
purchased plot		
2024-025-C	6/3/2024	Cemetery looks abandoned due to high grass
2024-026-C	6/4/2024	Cemetery and family plots look disgraceful

2024-030-C	6/13/2024	The cemetery is in total disrepair
2024-042-C	7/29/2024	Large tree fell on Markers and graves
2023-013-C	6/5/2023	Damaged fence on perimeter of property
2023-014-C	6/9/2023	Lack of Perpetual care of marker (leaning)
2023-018-C	7/21/2023	Property is in disrepair
2023-067-C	11/20/2023	Unkept grounds, walkways broken/buckling

Complaints Received for Forest Park West from 2023-2025:

Complaint number	Received date	Nature of Complaint
2024-044-C tree	8/8/2024	Grass cuttings not removed, fallen
2023-003-C gravesites	2/5/2023	Lack of maintenance, sinking
2023-013-C property	6/5/2023	Damaged fence on perimeter of
2023-018-C	7/21/2023	Property is in disrepair

We are assembling the data from 2020-2022 and will provide later today or Monday.

I note that pursuant to La. R.S.§44:4(44) exempts the following records from public disclosure:

To any records, writings, accounts, letters, letter books, photographs, actual working papers, or copies thereof, any of which is in the custody or control of any officer, employee, or agent of the Louisiana Cemetery Board and which pertains to an investigation of the business of a cemetery authority that is under investigation; however any such record shall be public record and subject to the provisions of this Chapter when introduced as evidence before an administrative or other judicial tribunal or when the investigation is complete.

Thus, the list being provided does not include open investigative matters that have not been concluded. There are a number of open investigations regarding numerous issues at the cemetery at this time. When those open investigations are scheduled for hearing before the Board or are closed, I am happy to provide additional information to you at that time. If a hearing is scheduled, I will be happy to notify you of the hearing date in advance if you would like to attend. Hearings are usually scheduled for the dates of the Board meeting. The next Board meeting is currently scheduled for November 14, 2025, with the possible addition of November 13, 2025, if the docket requires additional time.

In addition, please find attached copies of the Cemetery Authority Perpetual Care Trust Report, as well as the Trustee Reports for the last two reporting periods.

If you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours very truly,

LOUISIANA CEMETERY BOARD

Jerry W. Sullivan

Director