

Savannah, Ga., June 5th, 1916.

The regular monthly meeting of the Park and Tree Commission was held to-day at 1 o'clock P. M.

Present:- Chairman Daffin, Vice-Chairman Ellis and Secretary Solomons.

Minutes of regular meetings of March 6th, April 3rd, and May 1st, and of special meeting of June 1st, were read and confirmed.

Chairman Daffin stated that Mrs. P. W. Meldrim had requested permission for the students of the Georgia Industrial College to practice tree surgery on the trees at Bonaventure Cemetery, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Park and Tree Commission, and that he had stated to Mrs. Meldrim that the commission would be opposed to the entry of any outside parties to perform work on the trees in Bonaventure Cemetery and that permission could not be granted.

The commission approved of the action of Chairman Daffin.  
of \$25.00

Bill was presented to the commission by Mr. W. M. Davant for the repair of the iron fence around the lot of Wm. H. Wiltberger at Bonaventure Cemetery, Mr. Davant stating that Maj. Wiltberger had paid the sum of \$5000.00 for the perpetual care of his cemetery lot and he felt that the City of Savannah should pay for the repairing of fence.

After consulting the deed of the Evergreen Cemetery Company, conveying Bonaventure Cemetery to the City of Savannah and noting the provisions contained in same regarding the perpetuity agreement covering the lot of Maj. Wm. H. Wiltberger at Bonaventure Cemetery, the following motion was offered.

It was moved by Com. Solomons, seconded by Com. Ellis, that as there was nothing stated in the perpetuity agreement between the Evergreen Cemetery and Maj. Wm. H. Wiltberger, regarding the upkeep of the fence around the said lot, the commission therefore feels that it has no right to pay the bill rendered by Mr. W. M. Davant, for the repairing of the said fence and therefore declines to pay the said bill.

Adopted.

Letter was received from Laurel Chapter No. 51, Order of the Eastern Star, requesting permission to be allowed to erect a booth in the north east corner of Chippewa Square for the purpose of selling lunches during the Eagle's Convention August 14th, to 19th, 1916.

After considering the matter carefully, the following motion was offered.

It was moved by Com. Solomons, seconded by Com. Ellis, that in view of the fact that it is the purpose of Laurel Chapter No. 51, Order of the Eastern Star, to sell lunches in the said booth, the commission are opposed to the granting of the said request, as it would tend to establish an exceedingly bad precedent.

Adopted.

The following rules and regulations governing all cemeteries owned or controlled by the City of Savannah and also a schedule of prices obtaining in regard to water service at Bonaventure Cemetery and Care of Lot service obtaining in regard to all of the aforesaid cemeteries were submitted to the Commission, for consideration and action.  
by Sup't. Robertson

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It was moved by Com. Solomons, seconded by Com. Ellis, that the rules and regulations and prices of water service and care of lot service applying to the cemeteries owned or controlled by the City of Savannah, as submitted by Sup't. Robertson and be adopted by the commission, submitted to the city attorney for his approval, and then submitted to City Council for its approval and adoption.

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.