# DISABLED AMERICANS VETERANS PATRICK HENRY CHAPTER 34 ELECTION/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES September 03, 2022

### OPENING CEREMONY

Commander (Cdr.) Charles Morris opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Chaplain Rodney Young gave the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Senior Vice Commander Larry Griffin. Cdr Morris stated the purpose for us being here and read the Mission Statement is posted on the wall. Cdr. Morris declared the meeting open for business.

# **ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS**

The following officers were present: Cdr. Charles Morris, Senior (Sr.) Vice Cdr. Larry Griffin, Junior (Jr.) Vice Cdr. Ethel Smith, Chaplain Rodney Young, Immediate Past Commander (IPC) Robert Monroe, Adjutant Veranica Jordan, and Sergeant at Arms Thomas Coleman. Treasurer Terrell Lasker and Judge Advocate Ronald Christian were excused. Officer of the Day Herbert Jones was absent. The Executive Committee (EC) Meeting had a quorum of Chapter Officers present in order to conduct the meeting. Nineteen members were present.

### INTRODUCTION OF VISITOR

Cdr. Morris recognized our visitors: Joseph Edmonds a Korean veteran and the father of one of our members, Comrade Jasper Edmonds and Comrade Clarence Johnson who is transferring to our chapter.

# **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

A motion was made by Sr. Vice Cdr. Larry Griffin and seconded by Jr. Vice Cdr. Ethel Smith to dispense with all regular business at the present to elect a Member-At-Large. There was no discussion and this motion was unanimously approved by the body.

A motion was made by Sr. Vice Cdr. Larry Griffin and seconded by Jr. Vice Cdr. Ethel Smith that IPC Robert Monroe be appointed to run the election and installation of officer, Member-At-Large. There was no discussion and this motion was unanimously approved by the body. At this time we had fourteen members eligible to vote.

IPC Monroe introduced the tellers for today: Comrade Jasper Edmonds, Marcia Payton, and Gweneda Whiting.

For Office of Member-At-Large, Comrade Curtis Lassiter was nominated from the floor. Adjutant Veranica Jordan cast a single unanimous vote for Comrade Curtis Lassiter.

### INSTALLATION OF OFFICER

IPC Robert Monroe conducted the installation of the newly elected officer. Comrade Rodney Young, acting as Officer of the Day stood with the following new inductee in the front of the room for installation.

# MINUTES OF PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING

A motion was entertained and moved by Sr. Vice Cdr. Larry Griffin and seconded by Jr. Vice Cdr. Ethel Smith to dispense with the reading of the General Meeting minutes for June 4, 2022. There was no discussion and this motion was unanimously approved by the body.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Adjutant Veranica Jordan stated for the month of August 2022 beginning balance was \$87,355.5 and ending balance was \$100,072.51.

The Treasurer's report will be filed for internal audit.

## CHAPLAIN

Chaplain Rodney Young reported that one of our comrade, Gary Caricofe, was in Sentara Hospital and may be home now. The Chapter will send him a fruit basket and a card.

### COMMUNICATION

The correspondence was read at the General Membership Meeting, September 3, 2022 by the Adjutant.

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Reports were given by the chairperson or the respective committee representative for the following committees and these reports will also be given at the General Membership Meeting.

Welfare and Relief: Chaplain Rodney Young stated we helped Chapter 6 with ER in the amount of \$441.40 and the State Department in the amount of \$278.72.

<u>Entertainment Comm.</u>: Jr. Vice Cdr. Ethel Smith stated the Induction Dinner Committee worked together and had a good event. Sr. Vice Cdr. stated that one reason the dinner was a success was due to the hard work of the committee.

<u>CSO</u>: Jr. Vice Cdr. Ethel Smith stated that 7 cases were handled in June, 3 in July and 5 cases in the month of August 2022.

LVAP: Adjutant Jordan stated to turn in your hours for July and August. If you haven't turned your hours in for June, please do so. We need to send them in as soon as possible to Department.

<u>Membership Committee:</u> Sr. Vice Cdr. Larry Griffin will have a report for the Chapter next General Membership Meeting, October 8.

<u>Thrift Store</u>: Cdr. Charles Morris stated the Thrift Store Committee is prosperous and will open a new store in Yorktown.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was recommended to the body that was moved by Jr. Vice Cdr. Ethel Smith and seconded by Sr. Vice Cdr. Larry Griffin that the following members from the body attend the Department Fall Conference in Chesapeake, VA, 11-16 October: IPC Robert Monroe, Member-At-Large Curtis Lassiter, Asst. Chaplain Marcia Payton, Sergeant -At-Arms Thomas Coleman, and Comrade Jerome Payton. There was a discussion and the motion was unanimously approved by the body.

### GOOD OF THE ORDER

Sr. Vice Cdr. Griffin talked in detailed about the upcoming Military Appreciation Fundraiser beginning September 16, 2022.

### **CLOSING CEREMONY**

A motion was moved to adjourn the meeting. Cdr. Charles Morris gave a tribute to the fallen veterans and honor to the Flag of our Country. Chaplain Rodney Young closed the meeting with a prayer and Cdr. Morris adjourned the General Election Meeting at 0950 hours. The next General Meeting will be October 8, 2022 at 9 a.m.

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Adjutant

Charles Morris Commander