DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS PATRICK HENRY CHAPTER 34 EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES January 04, 2024

OPENING CEREMONY

Commander (Cdr.) Charles Morris opened the Executive Meeting at 4:00 p.m. Member-at-Large (MA) Clarence Johnson gave the opening Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Junior Vice Commander (JVC) Ethel Smith. Cdr. Morris stated that the Mission Statement was posted on our Conference Room wall and stated the purpose for being here and declared the meeting open for business.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

The following officers were present: Cdr. Charles Morris, Junior Vice Commander (JVC) Ethel Smith, Treasurer Terrell Lasker, Chaplain Jeffrey Beniot, Member-At-Large (MAL) Clarence Johnson, and Adjutant Veranica Jordan. Senior Vice Commander (SVC) Larry Griffin, Senior Vice Commander (SVC) Larry Griffin, and Immediate Past Commander (IPC) Robert Monroe were excused. Executive Committee (EC) Meeting had a quorum of Chapter Officers present in order to conduct the meeting.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS EXECUTIVE MEETING

A motion was entertained and moved by Treasurer Terrell Lasker and seconded by MAL Clarence Johnson to dispense with the reading of the Executive Meeting minutes for October 24, 2023. There was no discussion and this motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer Terrell Lasker report the Monthly Chapter Fi	inance for November and December
2023. The beginning balanced for November 2023 was	s and ending balance for
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CHAPLAIN

Ch. Jeffrey Benoit stated that SVC Larry Griffin's wife and Comrade Walter Dandridge past away in December 2023. IPC Monroe is in Sentara Hospital and Comrade Rodney Young had outpatient surgery.

COMMUNICATION: No Report

A motion is recommended to the body that was moved by JVC Ethel Smith and seconded by Ch. Jeffery Benoit to increase the budget for the Induction Dinner from \$2000 to \$4000. There was a discussion and this motion was approved to be carried to the body.

A motion is recommended to the body that was moved by Treasurer Terrell Lasker and seconded by Ch. Jeffery Benoit to move money left over from line 14k, 14l, and 14m in the budget to 19h. There was a discussion and this motion was approved to be carried to the body.

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: MAL Johnson reported the Chapter assisted one veteran with \$300 for partial rent and another with \$183.76 for utility bill.

Bylaws Committee: No Report

<u>Entertainment:</u> A motion is recommended to the body that was moved by JVC Ethel Smith and seconded by Ch. Jeffery Benoit that the Induction Dinner be Saturday, February 17, 2024 at Colonial Heritage Club, Williamsburg, Virginia. There was a discussion and this motion was approved to be carried to the body.

Membership Committee: Cdr. Morris stated Department 2nd Junior Vice Commander Dwayne Ramsey will be at the Chapter's General Membership Meeting, January 6, 2024, to talk about March Madness.

Thrift Store: No Report

<u>CSO</u>: JVC Ethel Smith stated that 15 CSO cases were completed November 2023 and 16 CSO cases for December 2023.

<u>LVAP</u>: Please turn in your LVAP forms at the General Membership Meeting on Saturday, January 6, 2024 for November and December 2023.

<u>Building Committee</u>: Comrade Clarence Johnson stated five new chairs have been purchased and delivered to the office, the phones have been ordered for the offices, damaged handicapped sign, in front of the office, has been replaced and installation of camera in the office is pending.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS

A motion is recommended to the body that was moved by Ch. Jeffery Benoit and seconded by JVC Ethel Smith that the Executive Committee Meeting time be moved from 4 p.m. to 3 p.m. the next two months. There was a discussion and this motion was approved to be carried to the body.

A motion is recommended to the body that was moved by Ch. Jeffery Benoit and seconded by JVC Ethel Smith that the following members be delegates at the Department Spring Conference, 20 to 24 March 2024: Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander and the Adjutant. There is a total of four delegates going to the Conference. There was a discussion and this motion was approved to be carried to the body.

A motion is recommended to the body that was moved by Ch. Jeffery Beniot and seconded by Treasurer Terrell Lasker that two members from the body be selected as alternates for the Department Spring Conference in March 2024. There was a discussion and this motion was approved to be carried to the body

CLOSING CEREMONY

A motion was moved to adjourn the meeting. Cdr. Charles Morris gave a tribute to the fallen veterans. Chaplain Jeffery Benoit closed the meeting with a prayer and Cdr. Charles Morris adjourned the Executive Committee Meeting at 5:17 p.m. The next Executive Committee Meeting will be January 23, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

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Charles L. Morris Commander