

**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS
PATRICK HENRY CHAPTER 34
EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES
January 24, 2025**

OPENING CEREMONY

Commander (Cdr.) Larry Griffin opened the Executive Meeting at 3:00 p.m. Chaplain (Ch.) Jeffrey Benoit gave the opening Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Senior Vice Commander (SVC) Ethel Smith. Cdr. Griffin stated the purpose for us being here and read the Mission Statement as posted on our Conference's Room wall. Cdr. Griffin declared the meeting open for business.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

The following officers were present: Cdr. Larry Griffin, SVC Ethel Smith, Ch. Jeffrey Benoit, Member-At-Large (MAL) Clarence Johnson, Immediate Past Commander (IPC) Charles Morris, and Adjutant Veranica Jordan. Junior Vice Commander (JVC) Terrell Lasker and Treasurer Herbert Jones were absent. 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 SVC Ethel Smith and seconded by Chaplain Jeffrey Benoit to dispense with the reading of the Executive Meeting Minutes for November 26, 2024. There was no discussion and this motion was approved.

A motion was entertained and moved by SVC Ethel Smith and seconded by Chaplain Jeffrey Benoit to approve the Executive Meeting Minutes for November 26, 2024 as written. There was no discussion and this motion was approved.

TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer Herbert Jones will present the Monthly Chapter Finance Reports for December 2024 and January 2025 at the General Membership Meeting Saturday, February 1, 2025.

CHAPLAIN

Chaplain Benoit reported one of our members passed away, Comrade Gregory Ransom. The family did not want any help from Chapter 34.

COMMUNICATION: None

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: Comrade Rodney Young reported we assisted a veteran as of January 24, 2025 for \$1000.00.

Audit Committee: Adjutant Jordan reported the Audit Committee will be meeting tomorrow, Saturday, January 25, 2025 at 12 p.m.

Bylaws Committee: JA Robert Monroe will have the 1st Reading of the Constitution and Bylaws at the February 01, 2025 General Membership Meeting.

Entertainment: No Report.

Membership Committee: No Report

Thrift Store: No Report

CSO: MAL Clarence Johnson stated for December 2024, the CSO's has processed 19 cases and as of January 2025, they have process 19 cases . This included completing DIC and insurance cards.

LVAP: Please turn in your hours for December 2024 and January 2025 at the General Membership Meeting, February 01, 2025.

Building Committee: IPC Morris reported this is the last year for the contract for the location of our office. We need to decide to stay or relocate.

Budget: No Report

WEB Master: No Report.

IT: MAL Clarence Johnson stated the motherboard has been repaired that was in the Commander's Office and placed in the Adjutant's office.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

SVC Ethel Smith stated the Department Spring Conference 2025 is March 12-16, 2025 in Chesapeake, Virginia. Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Chaplain, Adjutant, and Emergency Relief's Chairperson are delegates. Five positions are still open for delegates.

Cdr. Griffin stated that the Treasurer would like to attend The National Mid-Winter Conference, February 23-26, 2025 in Arlington, Virginia.

Adjutant Jordan stated that, Ms. Regina Butts, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs is tentatively scheduled to speak at our General Membership Meeting, May 03, 2025.

Cdr. Griffin stated the Emergency Chairperson from State is tentatively scheduled to speak at our General Membership Meeting, March 01, 2025.

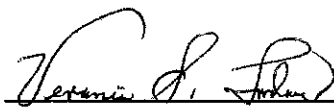
GOOD OF THE ORDER

Ch. Benoit asked "How many of you use propane gas?" Paying for propane that hasn't been delivered. "Buyer Be Aware".

MAL Johnson informed the committee he will be in the hospital and will not be at the next General Membership Meeting. The committee prayed for MAL Johnson led by Ch. Benoit.

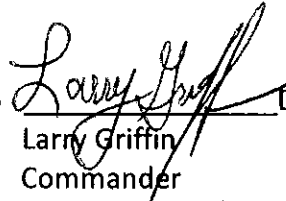
CLOSING CEREMONY

A motion was moved to adjourn the meeting. Cdr. Larry Griffin gave a tribute to the fallen veterans. Ch. Benoit closed the meeting with a prayer and Cdr. Griffin adjourned the Executive Committee Meeting at 3:35 p.m. The next Executive Committee Meeting will be February 18, 2025 at 3:00 p.m.



Veronica S Jordan
Adjutant

Date 24 January 2025



Larry Griffin
Commander

Date 24 January 2025