

**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS
PATRICK HENRY CHAPTER 34
EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES
September 26, 2023**

OPENING CEREMONY

Commander (Cdr.) Charles Morris opened the Executive Meeting at 4:00 p.m. Chaplain (Ch.) Jeffrey Benoit 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, Chaplain Jeffrey Benoit, Immediate Past Commander (IPC) Robert Monroe, Member-At-Large (MAL) Clarence Johnson, and Adjutant Veranica Jordan. Senior Vice Commander (SVC) Larry Griffin and Treasurer Terrell Lasker 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 Ch. Jeffrey Benoit and seconded by JVC Ethel Smith to dispense with the reading of the Executive Meeting minutes for August 22, 2023. There was no discussion and this motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer Terrell Lasker report the Monthly Chapter Financial Report will be discussed at the General Membership Meeting on October 21, 2023.

CHAPLAIN

Ch. Jeffrey Benoit stated we had one member in the hospital, JVC Ethel Smith, but is better and at the meeting today.

COMMUNICATION

Adjutant Veranica Jordan stated the Chapter received correspondence from Mr. John Yakshe stating the hunt will be held on Saturday, November 18, 202 at New Kent Forestry Center. The time will be announce at the October 21, 2023 General Membership Meeting.

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: No Report.

Bylaws Committee: IPC Monroe stated Department Adjutant requested a copy of Chapter 34's Minutes containing approval of the first and second reading of the Chapter 34's Constitution and Bylaws.

Entertainment: Induction Dinner for September 23, 2023, 6 – 8 p.m. at the Golden Corral on Bypass Road was cancelled.

Membership Committee: A recruitment booth was set up at the Charles City County Fair, September 9, 2023.

Thrift Store: Cdr. Charles Morris stated the Department will conduct a Thrift Store Meeting at The Department Fall Conference, 12-15 October 2023 in Richmond, Virginia.

CSO: JVC Ethel Smith stated that 25 CSO cases were completed as of 26 September 2023.

LVAP: Please turn in your LVAP forms at the General Membership Meeting on Saturday, October 21, 2023.

Building Committee: Comrade Clarence Johnson stated the phones have been ordered for the offices.


UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS


A motion is recommended to the body that was moved by JVC Ethel Smith and seconded by Chaplain Jeffrey Benoit to sponsor Thanksgiving and Christmas for 25 veterans. Each event is not to exceed \$1800. 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 5:05 p.m. The next Executive Committee Meeting will be October 24, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.


Veronica S Jordan
Adjutant

Date 26 September 2023


Charles L. Morris
Commander

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