

MINUTES
Ben Harrison Camp #356
Saturday, February 9, 2013

Call to Order: Camp Commander Bowyer called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Officers: Present were Commander Bowyer; Jr. Vice Commander, Signals Officer, Graves Registration Officer and Camp Council Member Beckman; Secretary and Historian Thompson; Treasurer Morey; Color Bearer and Guide A. Kolb; Camp Council Member B. Kolb. In all, seven brothers and one visitor were present.

Secretary's Report: The minutes were approved as handed out.

Treasurer's Report: The report was approved as presented.

Brother in Distress: Brother Thompson's son [REDACTED].

Signature Event: We talked about having Camp Morton or Vernon as a signature event.

Applications Received: The camp was pleased to learn of the application of Bryan Lundgren, who derived his membership from his great grandfather Ephraim Alexander Lynn, who served in Company A of the 24th Indiana Infantry.

Reports of Officers and Unfinished Business:

- American Legion Donation: Brother Morey moved to donate [REDACTED] to the American Legion Post 500, which was seconded by Brother B. Kolb and passed unanimously.
- Midwinter Encampment Expenses: Brother Beckman has receipts for [REDACTED] from purchasing donuts and coffee for the encampment. Brother B. Kolb moved to reimburse him for this expense, which was seconded by Brother Winters and passed unanimously.
- Civil War Show: We discussed what we need to bring for the upcoming Civil War Show at Beech Grove High School next month. We plan to bring posters, the Camp Morton medals, Ben Harrison ball caps, our display boards, the photo picture frame and the camp banner. Brother Beckman moved to reserve two tables at the cost of [REDACTED], which was seconded by Brother B. Kolb and passed unanimously.
- Memorial Day: We need to clean the headstone of Colonel Robert "Sandy" Foster, who we plan to honor on Memorial Day.
- Cemetery Cleaning: The Philadelphia Church Cemetery is located on U.S. Highway 40, east of the bridge. Little Orphan Annie married a Civil War veteran and is buried there.

After a break for lunch, we continued with:

- History of Camp #356: We need to add the names of our past Camp Commanders and that we do grave registrations, Eagle Scout programs and grave dedications.

New Business:

- Ropkey Museum: We discussed the Ropkey Museum that is located near Crawfordsville.
- This Day in History: Brother Bowyer discussed how Lincoln's goal was to keep the Union together.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with appropriate ceremony by the camp.

Jerry Thompson, Secretary

John Bowyer, Commander

Date