

MINUTES
Ben Harrison Camp #356
November 9, 2019

Call to Order: Commander Floyd called the meeting to order.

Roll Call of Officers: Present were Commander and Patriotic Instructor Jim Floyd; Sr. Vice-Commander, Memorial Officer, and Camp Council Member Mike Beck; Jr. Vice-Commander, Signals Officer, and Graves Registration Officer Tim Beckman; Secretary/Treasurer and Historian Jerry Thompson; Chaplain Robert Winters; Color Bearer Wayne Sharp; and Eagle Scout Coordinator and Camp Council Member John Bowyer. In all, ten brothers were present.

Secretary's Report: The minutes stand approved as read.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report stands approved as read.

Brothers in Distress: Brother Bill Hendrix's wife broke her ankle. Brother Dave Wilson is sick. Garry Walls' dog is dying. Fred Schaefer got engaged and needs knee surgery.

Membership Application Received: none.

Initiation of New Member: none.

Reports from Committees:

* Camp Baseball Cap Committee: no update.

* Cemetery Cleaning and Restoration Committee: We are looking at several areas: Pendleton, Huntsville, Green Township, and Knightstown.

* Confederate Memorial and Monument Committee: no update.

* Community Public Relations Committee: no update.

* Sultana Monument Committee: The wording for the monument has been approved. We are hoping to raise \$██████ to pay for a gray monument, the image and engraving. It will be placed in Marion National Cemetery.

Orders, Communications, and Bills: none.

Unfinished Business:

* Hartford City Civil War Days in Hartford City, Indiana: Commander and Sister Floyd attended this event on October 19-20. They saw Fred Schaefer discussing Civil War surgery and Fritz Klein portraying Abraham Lincoln.

* James A. Ramage Civil War Museum in Fort Wright, Kentucky: Brothers Bruce and Andrew Kolb visited here.

* Remembrance Day in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania: This event will be November 23, 2019. Garry Adelman, the Chief Historian for the American Battlefield Trust will live stream the parade on Facebook. He will also do live interviews with the SVR and SUVCW before the parade.

* Kimmel Park G.A.R. Monument in Vincennes, Indiana: no update.

* Indiana Monument at Vicksburg: The Mississippi Monument will be rededicated on November 11, 2019. The cost of \$75,000 was paid by the state and a friendly group. The federal parks will be free on Veteran's Day.

* Veterans Memorial Coliseum in Evansville, Indiana: no update.

* Thomlinson Hall in Indianapolis, Indiana: no update.

* SUVCW Grave Marker for Charles Hughes: We still need to select a date in spring to honor our late brother.

* Department of Indiana Mid-Winter Encampment on January 25, 2020 in Greenfield, Indiana: The flyer for the event is ready for distribution. Registrations will be sent to

Commander Floyd. The lunch meal will be BBQ sandwiches with sides and dessert at a cost of \$15 per person. There will also be a light breakfast. The SVR annual meeting will follow this meeting.

* Eliza E. George Auxiliary: The Auxiliary filled out paperwork today to disband on December 1. They are donating the money in their bank account to the Camp for the Sultana Memorial.

* Meeting and Presentation Schedule: Commander Floyd reminded us of the 2019 and 2020 schedules.

New Business:

* Eagle Scouts: Brother and Sister Bowyer still want to be involved with the presentations to the Eagle Scouts.

* Shining a Light: Tonight will start the Shining a Light salute at 6:15 on Monument Circle.

* Upcoming Events: Remembrance Day will be November 23. The Wyndham Gettysburg is the headquarters hotel and is accepting reservations under the group rate name "Sons Civil War Ball 2019." Wreaths Across American will be at 11 a.m. at Crown Hill Cemetery on December 14. We will meet at 10 a.m. The Department of Indiana Mid-Winter Encampment will be at Eden, Indiana on January 25. Lincoln Day at Lincoln City, Indiana will be February 9.

Election of Officers: The 2020 elected officers are: Camp Commander Jim Floyd, Sr. Vice-Commander Mike Beck, Jr. Vice-Commander Tim Beckman, Secretary Tim Beckman, Treasurer Mike Beck, and Camp Council Members Garry Walls, Bruce Kolb, and Jerry Thompson. The 2020 appointed officers are: Chaplain Bob Winters, Patriotic Instructor Jim Floyd, Color Bearer Wayne Sharp, Guide Andrew Kolb, Guard Dave Wilson, Eagle Scout Coordinator John Bowyer, Signals Officer Tim Beckman, Historian Andrew Kolb, Civil War Memorials Officer Mike Beck, Graves Registration Officer Tim Beckman, and G.A.R. Records Officer Bruce Kolb.

Patriotic Instruction: We watched videos on "Shining a Light Premier" by Downtown Indy, "MIDWAY movie trailer by Movieclips Trailers, and "Thank you for your service: Veterans Day 2019" by the Atlanta History Center.

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

Presentation: Brother John Copeland shared a video of the New Market Day ceremony he attended at VMI. The ceremony features the roll call of the names of the cadets who lost their lives at the Battle of New Market and a representative from the same company in today's Corps answers, "Died on the Field of Honor, Sir."

Jerry Thompson, Secretary

Jim Floyd, Commander

Date