

**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS
PATRICK HENRY CHAPTER 34
EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES
March 28, 2023**

OPENING CEREMONY

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

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

The following officers were present: Cdr. Charles Morris, Senior Vice Commander (SVC) Larry Griffin, Junior Vice Commander (JVC) Ethel Smith, Treasurer Terrell Lasker, Chaplain Rodney Young, , Immediate Past Commander (IPC) Robert Monroe, Officer of the Day Herbert Jones, Sergeant-of-Arms Thomas Coleman, and Adjutant Veranica Jordan. Judge Advocate Ronald Christian was excused and Member-At-Large (MAL) Curtis Lassiter was 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 Larry Griffin and seconded by JVC Ethel Smith to dispense with the reading of the Executive Meeting minutes for March 1, 2023. There was no discussion and this motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer Terrell Lasker report the beginning balance for March 2023 was [REDACTED] and the ending balance as of March 28, 2023 was [REDACTED]. The Monthly Chapter Financial Report will be discussed at the General Membership Meeting on April 1, 2023.

A letter will be sent to Chapter's 47, 60, and 61 to explain the decrease in funds beginning this fiscal year.

CHAPLAIN

Chaplain Rodney Young reported that Chapter 34 did not have any sickness or death to report.

Adjutant Veranica Jordan stated the Chapter received a Than You Card from her and Comrade Marcia Payton.

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: Chaplain Rodney Young stated we received an application for a veteran from the state to help with electric bill in the amount of [REDACTED]

Membership Committee: SVC Larry Griffin and Officer of the Day Herbert Jones gave information on the program for Recruiting Veterans, Saturday, April 22 at James City County Recreation Center. Information will be given at the General Membership Meeting on April 1, 2023.

Thrift Store: Cdr. Charles Morris stated the Thrift Stores increased 8%. Committee will meet at the 91st Annual Department Convention in Roanoke, VA.

CSO: JVC Ethel Smith stated that 12 cases were completed as of 28 March 2023. Five members in Chapter 34 have been scheduled for training during the Department Convention. They are Comrades Payton, Smith, Newsome, White and Johnson.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is looking for drivers to drive Veterans to and from Hampton and Richmond VA's. Please call HVAC Transportation to volunteer.

NEW BUSINESS

The calendar for the 23-24 fiscal year is attached to the EC Minutes.

A motion is recommended to the body that was moved by IPC Robert Monroe and seconded by SVC Larry Griffin that Chapter 34 send five members to the CSO training June 12, 2023 at the Holiday Inn Tanglewood, Roanoke, VA. They are Comrades Payton, Smith, Newsome, White and Johnson. There was a discussion and this motion was unanimously approved to carry to the body.

A motion is recommended to the body that was moved by Treasurer Terrell Lasker and seconded by SVC Larry Griffin that no more than five members be delegates at the Annual Department Convention, 15-18 June 2023 in Roanoke, VA. There was a discussion and this motion was unanimously approved to carry to the body.

A motion was recommended to the body that was moved by Treasurer Terrell Lasker and IPC Robert Monroe that three members from the body who are in good standing and present be elected as delegates for the 91st Annual Department Convention. There was a discussion and this motion was unanimously approved to carry to the body.

A motion is recommended to the body that was moved by JVC Ethel Smith and seconded by SVC Larry Griffin that the Induction Dinner for 2023 be held at the Golden Corral. Date and time will be announced at a later date. There was a discussion and this motion was unanimously approved to carry to the body.

A motion is recommended to the body that was moved by Treasurer Terrell Lasker and seconded by SVC Larry Griffin that IPC Robert Monroe and Chaplain Rodney Young to be reimbursed mileage, conference registration fee and meals at current GSA rate for the Department Spring Conference 16-19 March 2023. There was a discussion and this motion was approved to carry to the body.

Chaplain Rodney Young discussed information from Spring Conference on praying. Prayers in handbook can be used as a guideline and praying from the heart is allowed, remembering that there are people of many faith traditions.

Discussion on closing the Chapter one day a week was tabled.

Discussion on CSO's days and time at Chapter was tabled.

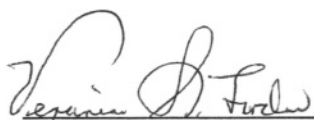
GOOD OF THE ORDER

SVC Larry Griffin stated he would like a membership roster to telephone absent members.

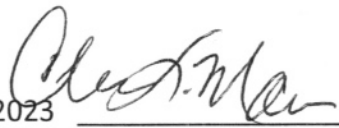
JVC Ethel Smith read the Nomination Committee list of candidates.

CLOSING CEREMONY

A motion was moved to adjourn the meeting. Cdr. Charles Morris gave a tribute to the fallen veterans. Chaplain Rodney Young closed the meeting with a prayer and Cdr. Charles Morris adjourned the Executive Committee Meeting at 5:40 p.m. The next Executive Committee Meeting will be May 2, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.



Veranica S Jordan
Adjutant



Charles L. Morris
Commander