

**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS
PATRICK HENRY CHAPTER 34
EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 31, 2023**

OPENING CEREMONY

Commander (Cdr) Charles Morris opened the meeting at 4:00 pm. Chaplain Rodney Young gave the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Junior Vice Commander Ethel Smith. Commander Charles Morris read the DAV Mission Statement, stated the purpose of the meeting, and declared that the meeting was open for business.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

The following officers were present: Commander Charles Morris, Senior Vice Commander Larry Griffin, Junior Vice Commander Ethel Smith, Treasurer Terrell Lasker, Chaplain Rodney Young, and IPC Robert Monroe. Member-At-Large Curtis Lassiter, Judge Advocate Ronald Christian, and Adjutant Veranica Jordan were excused. The Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) had a quorum of Chapter Officers present in order to conduct the meeting.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Commander Charles Morris entertained a motion to dispense with the reading of the January 3, 2023, Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) minutes. A motion was moved by Junior Vice Commander Ethel Smith and seconded by Senior Vice Commander Larry Griffin that the CEC dispense with the reading of the minutes of the January 3, 2023, CEC meeting. There was no discussion and the motion was approved.

TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer Terrell Lasker reported that the Chapter Monthly Financial Report covered the period January 1, 2023 - January 31, 2023. The beginning balance for January 1, 2023, was \$██████████ and the ending balance for January 31, 2023, was ██████████. Treasurer Lasker also stated that Treasurer's report would be adjusted because the CEC meeting was prior to 1 Feb 23 and as a result, the interest for the CD was not available and thereby not included. The ending balance will be higher.

CHAPLAIN REPORT

Chaplain Rodney Young stated that Comrade Adjutant Veranica Jordan will be admitted to the hospital to have an operation on Thursday, February 4, 2023.

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 on February 4, 2023.

Welfare and Relief Committee: No report. The Chapter did not receive any requests from needy veterans for assistance.

Bylaws: No Report

Entertainment Committee: No Report

Membership Committee: Senior Vice Commander Larry Griffin stated that the Membership Committee met with the James City County Recreation Center Program Director, Ms. Amy Fidor, to discuss the possibility of the Chapter using the facility to recruit and serve veterans. Ms. Fidor stated that a room would be available for the Chapter to use for a period of two hours on April 15, 2023, or April 22, 2023, and the Recreation Center would assist with advertising the Chapter event. This is a "work in progress" and more information to follow.

CSO: Junior Vice Commander Ethel Smith stated that the Chapter CSOs completed 10 cases during the month of January 2023.

LVAP: LVAP hours should be turned in to Comrade Jerome Payton to cover the period January 1, 2023 – January 31, 2023.

Thrift Store: No report. Commander Morris stated that the DAV Department of Virginia will conduct a Thrift Store meeting at the March 2023 Spring Conference.

Women Veterans Committee: Junior Vice Commander Ethel Smith stated that a "Meet and Greet" event will be held on February 3, 2023, 7pm at Guy Fieri Pizza Parlor (Next to Rosie's Casino), 1076 Power Plant Parkway, Suite B, Hampton, Virginia. Topics of discussion will include, Virginia Women Veteran License Plates, March 2023 Celebration of Women 75th Anniversary in the Military, and state overall what Virginia is doing for Women Veterans

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was entertained to appoint Comrade Clarence Johnson as Chapter 34 Assistant Adjutant. A motion was recommended to the Body that was moved by Treasurer Terrell Lasker and seconded by Senior Vice Commander Larry Griffin to appoint Comrade Clarence Johnson as Chapter 34 Assistant Adjutant. The motion was discussed and approved to carry to the Body.

Discussion was entertained to appoint Chapter Delegates for the upcoming DAV Department of Virginia Spring Conference that will be held in Virginia Beach, Virginia, 16 March 23 – 19 March 23. A motion was recommended to the Body that was moved by Treasurer Terrell Lasker and seconded by Senior Vice Commander Larry Griffin to appoint the Chapter Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, Treasurer, and Adjutant as Chapter Delegates for the DAV Department of Virginia Spring Conference. The motion was discussed and approved to carry to the Body.

Discussion was entertained to replace a Chapter Delegate for the Spring Conference in the event that one or more of the approved Chapter Delegates were not able to attend. A motion was recommended to the Body that was moved by Treasurer Terrell Lasker and seconded by Senior Vice Commander Larry Griffin that if one of the approved Chapter Delegates were not able to attend, the Chapter Delegate will be replaced by a member of the Chapter Executive Committee. The motion was discussed and approved to carry to the Body.


Discussion was entertained for the Chapter to make a donation to VAVS organizations at the DAV Department of Virginia Spring Conference. A motion was recommended to the Body that was moved by Senior Vice Commander Larry Griffin and seconded by Chaplain Rodney Young for the Chapter to donate a total of ~~2000~~ to be distributed among (10) VAVS organizations at the DAV Department of Virginia Spring Conference. The motion was discussed and approved to carry to the Body.

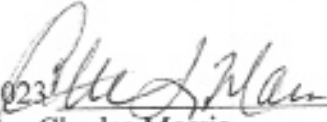
Discussion was entertained concerning reducing the amount of monetary support we currently provide to our Sister Chapters; Chapter 47, Chapter 60, and Chapter 61. The Chapter currently donates ~~2000~~ per quarter to each of those Chapters. A motion was recommended to the Body that was moved by Junior Vice Commander Ethel Smith that the Chapter donate ~~2000~~ per quarter to each of our Sister Chapters. The motion was discussed and approved to carry to the Body.

GOOD OF THE ORDER – Immediate Past Commander Robert Monroe stated that he and his wife's Marriage Anniversary is January 31, 2023; 36 years.

CLOSING CEREMONY

A motion was moved to adjourn the meeting. Commander Charles Morris gave a tribute to the fallen veterans. Chaplain Rodney Young closed the meeting with a prayer and Commander Charles Morris adjourned the CEC meeting at 5:13 p.m. The next CEC meeting will be conducted on February 28, 2023.

 31 January 2023
Robert E. Monroe
Acting Adjutant

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Charles Morris
Commander