

Minutes of the Charles H. Bond Camp No. 104

7:30 PM

January 31, 2006

Americal Civic Center

Wakefield, MA

Roll Call of Officers: Those present were:

CC Richard Eccleston, Sr.

JVC John Abbott

Secretary Kevin Tucker, PCC

Treasurer William Ryerson

Patriotic Instructor John W. Bates III

Reading of Minutes: Minutes of the December 27th, 2005 meeting were read and accepted.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer Ryerson reported that dues notices have been sent out.

He also reported that ads for the Camp's fund raising neckties have been placed in the Clarion Call and in the Banner.

Treasurer Ryerson then reported that he had purchased flowers on behalf of the Camp for the funeral of departed Brother Bill Eldridge, in the amount of \$73.00. Treasurer Ryerson also reported that he has paid the Americal Hall \$100 for the upcoming year, for use of the facilities for our monthly meetings.

Treasurer Ryerson reported that there is \$2007.59 in the checking account, however, \$500.00 of the money in the account is earmarked for the Somerville Monument restoration, and \$1507.59 is our actual available cash. He did not have a current amount on our funds invested in CDs.

The Treasurer's report was accepted unanimously.

Brothers in Distress: None

Old Business: Secretary Kevin Tucker spoke about the issues that Brother

Rodriguez was having with the Department's color printer, resulting in being unable to mail out the Clarion Call. Brother Tucker reported that the warrantee was sent to Department Treasurer Parks when the printer was received. Dept. Commander Bates volunteered to contact Treasurer Parks in order to retrieve the warrantee.

New Business:

The following Camp Officers were installed by DJVC Kevin Tucker:

Camp Commander:

Richard Eccleston, Sr.

Camp Senior Vice Commander: John Abbott

Camp Junior Vice Commander: Frank Mulvihill

Camp Secretary:

Frank Tucker, PDC

Camp Treasurer:

Bill Ryerson

Camp Patriotic Instructor:

John Bates

Refreshments, courtesy of DC John Bates, were served following the installation.

DC Bates announced that the Department Encampment will be held at the Lord Wakefield Hotel in Wakefield on April 28th and 29th, 2006. He expected notices to be mailed out within the next 2 weeks. DC Bates also reported that JVCinC Pahl may attend our Department Encampment in April.

Brother bates also reported that the New England Regional Association will be

holding its next meeting on March 11th, 2005, in Auburn, ME. Notices will be sent out by NERA Secretary Parks.

Brother Bates reported that a Dept. Officers meeting may be held sometime in March. Brother Ryerson reminded everyone that that meeting is scheduled to be a budget meeting, with recommendations to be sent to the Department Council for consideration.

There followed some discussion on Department issues, where Secretary Ryerson updated the Members on the Department's ongoing efforts to bring the bodies of Union Soldiers discovered during the construction of a McDonalds restaurant in Centerville, VA, back to Massachusetts.

The meeting was then adjourned by Camp Commander Richard Eccleston, Sr.