



## Minutes of the Meeting 9 March 2017 William Hightower Sons of the American Revolution

President Stuart Hoyt called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and welcomed the guests that we had for the evening.

**Invocation** was provided by Compatriot Cliff Caskey.

Pledges to the U. S., Texas, and SAR flags were given.

President Hoyt open with a short history lesson Guildford Courthouse, the last major battle prior to the battle at Yorktown.

## **Old Business:**

Secretary Minutes: The minutes from the February 17 meeting were approved by acclamation.

Treasurer Report: Operating Account has \$1,118.31 and the Scholarship account has \$2,075.00.

Motion to accept the report was made by Compatriot Caskey and Seconded by Compatriot Colantoni. Reported accepted by a vote of "ayes."

**Presentation:** President Hoyt presented the following awards and certificates:

Bronze Good Citizenship Medal: Allen Don Chandler

Certificates of Appreciation: Iohn Booth Clifford Caskey Don Chandler Louis Colantoni Joe Cox Stephen Polk Michael Pryor Curtis Trull

## **New Business:**

President Hoyt announced that Compatriot Lou Segaloff had passed away on 8 March 2017.

Pres. Hoyt also announced that Compatriot William Tart passed away earlier in the year and that his daughter, Linda Hook, stated that Compatriot Tart had left \$1,000 for the Chapter's scholarship fund.

Pres. Hoyt presented the idea to moving the payments for the ROTC Essay, Oration, and Enhanced ROTC programs from the Operating Account and begin paying them out of the Scholarship account.

Motion to accept the change was made by Compatriot Tom Jones and seconded by Compatriot Cliff Caskey. The motion passed by a votes of "ayes."

Pres. Hoyt asked that if anyone has made a donation or any payments from their own pockets for the Chapter, to please turn your receipts into the Treasurer as soon as possible, so as to show our Chapter's true expenses.

Pres. Hoyt held a vote on naming the Chapter's newsletter. The choices were: The Bullhorn, The Hightower Reporter, The Hightower Recorder, and The Spirit of '76. A vote was held and the following votes were recorded.

The Bullhorn-0 votes
The Hightower Reporter-2 votes
The Hightower Recorder-4 votes
The Spirit of '76-3 votes

The newsletter will now be named "*The Hightower Recorder*" and Compatriot Jerry Bullock will received the prize check of \$25.00 for suggesting the winning name.

Pres. Hoyt introduced the Chapter's officers for 2017-2018.

President - Stuart Hoyt

Vice President - Steven Polk

Secretary - Ed Blauvelt

Treasurer - Curtis "Stan" Trull

Sergeant-at-Arms - John Booth with Don Chandler as a backup

Registrar - Michael Pryor

Chaplain Jerry Bullock with Don Chandler as a backup

Pres. Hoyt congratulated everyone on a job well done with the George Washington Proclamations that were carried out in eight local city halls and in Governor Greg Abbot's office. Compatriot Joe Cox and his committee did an excellent of organizing and executing the reading and signing of the Proclamations in the following cities.

Governor Greg Abbot's office - with Pres. Hoyt

City of Seguin – with Compatriot Tom Richey

City Marion – with Compatriot Louis Segaloff

City of Schertz – with Compatriots Louis Segaloff and Tom Jones

City Of New Braunfels – with Compatriot Patrick Hollis

City of Kyle – with Pres. Hoyt and Compatriot Mike Pryor

City of Buda – with Compatriot Mike Pryor

City of Lockhart – with Compatriot Kris Krueger

City of San Marcos – with Pres. Hoyt, and Compatriots Mike Pryor Joe Cox and Phyllis Shell and Helen Cox of Capt. Thomas Moore DAR Chapter

Pres. Hoyt and Compatriot Tom Jones spoke on their involvement with the George Washington Parade in Laredo, TX and how great the event was and how they were part of the Color Guard for the parade.

Pres. Hoyt stated that there are the following ROTC awards presentation that will require a chapter member to attend, if at all possible:

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5 Apr - San Marcos – Compatriot Caskey
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- 21 Apr Lockhart Compatriot Krieger
- 27 Apr Canyon High School Compatriot Colantoni
- 27 Apr Smithson Valley None
- 4 May New Braunfels Compatriot Colantoni
- 5 May Canyon Lake None
- 11 May Steele Compatriot Tom Jones
- 13 May San Marcos Baptist Compatriot Caskey
- 16 May Seguin-None

Pres. Hoyt reminded the members that the State Convention will be 29 March – 2 April in downtown San Antonio. The last evening is the banquet and parade and he asked members should try to attend if at all possible.

Pres. Hoyt stated that the Chapter's Color Guard has been asked to carry the color at Liberty Hill, TX on 8 April.

Pres. Hoyt reminded the members of the upcoming New Braunfels Folkfest on 8-9 April 17.

Pres. Hoyt reminded the members, that Hightower Chapter will host the 2018 Fall BOM.

Finally, Pres. Hoyt asked the members to think of new ways to encourage member participation, such as personal blazer. Submit your ideas to Pres. Hoyt.

**Next Meeting** is scheduled for the evening of 13 April 2017 at the same venue.

**Benediction** was given by Cliff Caskey

**Recessional** was led by President Stuart Hoyt

Adjournment was at 8:00 PM Members Present, XX Guests Present, X

## **Total Attendance,** Xx