

## US Grant Camp 68 SUVCW

### March 9, 2020 Meeting Minutes

#### Frailey's Pub, I-55 & Butler Hill Rd, 63129

**Present:** Bob Aubuchon, Craig Mathews, Don Palmer, Walt Busch, Bob Petrovic, Mark Coplin, John Avery, Matthew Zahradka, Jim Morrison, Sumner Hunnewell, Marty Aubuchon, Greg Wolk, Vincent Heier, Michael Witt

**Meeting opened at 1900 Hrs** by SVC Sumner Hunnewell with pledge led by Mark Coplin and prayer led by Father Michael Witt

Minutes reviewed and motion to approve by Bob Petrovic and second by Mark Coplin. Passes

**Secretary/Treasurer Report** reviewed and on motion to approve subject to the treasurer report being audited passed. Motion by Craig Mathews and Second by Mark Coplin.

#### Secretary Report:

1. Walt mentioned SUVCW at his speech on February 15 at the Mo Civil War Museum. Spoke to 87 people for a luncheon topic on *Lost Stories of Price's 1864 Raid*.
2. Walt and Sumner drove to Murphysboro IL to set up the October Central Region Allied Orders Meeting. Should be a good setting.
3. The new calendar is posted on line on our website calendar page. The dates of events are:
  - March 14 - Department Business Meeting - Jefferson City
  - April 18 - Lincoln Tomb Ceremonies - Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, by 9AM
  - May 25 - Memorial Day - May 25 Our Program Starts around 11 AM – Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery (SUVCW/DUVCW Event)
  - June 6 – Department Encampment – Bass Pro Shop Independence, MO
  - July 18 - Grant Remembrance Day – July 18 10am Grant National Historic Site (White Haven) (SUVCW/DUVCW Event)
  - July 23 - US Grant Symposium Kick Off - Evening - Grant National Historic Site (White Haven)
  - August 13-16 National Encampment – Marriot Buckhead Hotel and Convention Center, 3405 Lenox Road North East, Atlanta, GA 30326
  - August 30 - 56th USCT Ceremony - 1 PM - Missouri Civil War Museum, with wreath laying later at Jefferson Barracks. (SUVCW/DUVCW Event)
  - October 2 & 3 - Allied Orders Conference – Murphysboro – Logan Museum. Grant Camp Member is setting this up.
  - October 10 - Department Business Meeting – Jefferson City
  - October 25 Sherman Remembrance Day – Oct 25 1PM – Calvary Cemetery and maybe luncheon with speech at some other restaurant in St Louis (SUVCW/DUVCW Event)
  - Dec 9 (Date Tentative)- Christmas Dinner - Date, Time, Location TBD
4. Walt has been in e-mail contact with PCC Dan Jackson and he is signed up to do Bugle (or bagpipes if that is what we want) for the following days – Grant, 56<sup>th</sup> USCT & Sherman Remembrance Days.
5. Added some items to website besides calendar. Checked to see if we pay enough so that we have a members only section for our members to vote on items, have private information, etc. WE DO NOT. As I run one such website and know some of the ins and outs of it, I don't think it would serve us to pay the additional fees. This was considered regarding commander's desire to have votes on who to present Sherman Flags to.
6. Speaking of the website – Jim Morrison is a member of four of the five groups I run websites for. I made an 'executive decision' to appoint him the keeper of my passwords for all these groups in case something happens to me so that the camp can recover their website.
7. February 24 – Sent out mailed reminders to 9 members about needing to pay dues. Neil Cantwell, Dennis & Micael Hannon, Harold Hunt, Christopher Hunter, Frank Mathews, Raymond Meyer, Bob Petrovic, and Carl Wattenberg, Jr. Rec'd dues from Harold Hunt and Neil Cantwell and notice that Carl Wattenberg had passed away. We are dropping Dennis, Gordon Griffith & Micael Hannon and Ray Meyer

8. Form 27 has been filled out, sent in, and we have paid out \$914 in dues.
9. Sent officers review of the 56<sup>th</sup> USCT agenda and the Memorial Day Agenda for Jefferson Barracks and no comments received. E-Mailed the packages to JB Director Parker on 3/2/2020. They sent it back wanting specific release of responsibility for musket/cannon fire. I sent it in again On 3/4/2020.
10. I've been working a little on producing more items for our sales. Magnetic Name tags, Ladder Name Tags etc. Our order pages might end up being five pages long, but I plan on making them fill in the blank. So that on a name tag the member can type it up the way they want so they can see how it looks as well.
11. CinC Leo Rassieur's Bell is owned by a Martha Trunk and she wants to sell it. I told her I would get back with her. Under Business.

**Treasurer's Report –**

Starting to keep track of items I don't ask for reimbursement for and want it applied to my brothers' dues this next year. Will inform camp of all such expenses as they occur.

The camp commander directed HDMI cables and an extension cord for our power point machine bought. I bought them at Walmart and added them to the box with our Powerpoint™ projector

This month's expenses I will recover in 2021 dues

Nine 55 cent stamps -- \$4.95

HDMI Cable --- \$6.24

Extension Cable --- \$16.97

(no charge for paper, envelopes or tax)

So far, \$28.16 paid out

Will be an update as mailing an envelope of nametags, so probably another \$4.00



DATE	Item	Description	\$IN	\$OUT	Bank Action
1/12/2020	1184	Mike Hudson SVR & Dues	38.00		
1/13/2020	6484	Greg Wolk SVR & Donation in lieu of Dues	35.00		
1/13/2020	12029	Rev Michael J Witt Dues with Initiation	45.00		
1/13/2020	2417	John Avery SUV & SVR Dues	38.00		
1/13/2020	1268	Craig Mathews Dues (to be refunded if becomes Lifer by 3/31)	55.00		
1/13/2020	5576	Steven Leicht Dues, SVR Dues & \$2.00 Donation	40.00		
1/13/2020	5455	Don & John Palmer Dues & SVR	76.00		
1/13/2020	Cash	Sumner Hunnewell Donation from free dinner to split between equip and Sherman	40.00		
1/23/2020	DEP	Deposit			367.00
1/31/2020	Int	Interest	0.09		0.09
2/8/2020	Cash	Sumner - 2 sets of Address Labels/no Postage	8.00		
2/10/2020	5025	Frank Mathews Dues	35.00		
2/10/2020	1235	Sumner Hunnewell Dues for Gerhard Ewig	35.00		
2/14/2020	2345	Michael Woulfe Dues, SVR & Donation	50.00		
2/14/2020	4950	Larry Von Behren Dues	35.00		
2/13/2020	DEP	Deposit			78.00
2/24/2020	1423	Jim Stebbings donation for free dinner	50.00		
2/29/2020	INT	Interest	0.09		0.09
3/2/2020	5025	Frank Mathews Stop Payment Check Refund w/ Bank Fee		-40.00	-40.00
3/2/2020	4006	Fredrick Campbell Name Tag	16.00		
3/2/2020	101	Ulbrickson Name Tag	28.00		
3/2/2020	3588	Clint Anderson Name Tag	23.00		
3/2/2020	1190	Mike Hudson Extra Dues?	38.00		
3/2/2020	104	Arch Engraving Inv#217686 & 217571		-46.10	-46.10
3/2/2020	DEP	Deposit			240.00

3/6/2020	2349	Neil Cantwell Dues	35.00		
3/6/2020	8067	Harold Hunt Dues	35.00		
		TOTALS	19,038.62	-17,335.31	2,588.76
<b>Committed Funds</b>					
<b>Sherman Flag Fund</b>			<b>228.00</b>	<b>Committed Funds</b>	<b>\$641.76</b>
<b>Equipment Fund</b>			<b>218.25</b>	<b>Uncommitted Funds</b>	<b>\$2,017.00</b>
<b>SVR Fund</b>			<b>\$195.51</b>	<b>Total in Checking</b>	<b>\$2,588.76</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$641.76</b>	<b>Undeposited Funds</b>	<b>\$70.00</b>
				<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,658.76</b>

**Senior Vice Commander:** Sumner reported on the October 2-3 Central Region Association of the Allied Orders at Murphysboro, IL. Open to all members the meeting will include special tour and programs at the General John Logan Museum.

**Junior Vice Commander:** Craig said he tried to recruit a few members.

**Department Report:** Donald Palmer, Bob Petrovic, Marty Aubuchon, Sumner Hunnewell and Walt Busch will be attending the meeting on March 14.

**BUSINESS, In No Particular Order:**

- Leo Rasieur Bell – Bob Petrovic made a motion to buy the bell. John Avery seconded. Agreed to pay \$200 postage. Walt opposed (felt should be bought by Department).
- Mark Coplin wants to initiate new members again with a ceremony. No vote, no descension.
- Mark Coplin – wants to set up a phone list of members who are absent for more than a few meetings to check on them and see if they are doing ok. Would like each active member to take on 2 or 3 phone numbers to check on people. This is in the hope that we can find out if members are sick or have passed.
- Walt Busch – motion that \$25 be sent to the Missouri Civil War Museum for deceased member Carl Wattenberg. Passes
- Walt Busch - Wanted decision on how to determine who gets a Sherman flag and who doesn't. Motion that ALL elected officers are contacted to vote on who gets a flag that has flown over Sherman's grave. Seconded by Bob Petrovic. Passes.
- Matt Zahradka – Is the new JROTC instructor for local high school. Air Force no longer allowing the wearing of our national medal. Some are working on changing this.
- John Avery will be sending out a list of all JROTC presentations and would like each member to try to sign up for a ceremony.
- Don Palmer asked for an update on the 2021 Encampment. Walt reported on tour setup and tour luncheons. Bob gave quick update. Not much changed since last month. Working on sending out a letter asking for contributions from businesses.

**Good of the Order**

- Sumner showed picture of a WRC carpet/flag that Cindy Norton is making to raise money and asked if any members would donate. Some did.

**TRIVIA**

1. What happened on this date during the Civil War
2. “Joe Brown’s Pikes” were used in battle by Confederate troops during the war. T or F
3. James Longstreet’s 2<sup>nd</sup> wife died in 1979. T or F
4. Which Confederate general was born in Ireland on St. Patrick’s Day?
5. What sunk the CSS Hunley?
6. What was the least populous state to secede from the Union?
7. What color was used to identify troops that had never been in battle? A. Red B. Blue C. Yellow D. Green
8. According to US Army regulations, a volunteer infantry company was divided into how many platoons? A. 2 B.3 C.4 D.5
9. What was the preferred revolver used during the Civil War? Remington or Colt
10. Who shot General Sidney Johnston at the battle of Shiloh?

Fun Fact – When was the word *Artillery* first used? - From the 13<sup>th</sup> century, an artillier referred to a builder of any war equipment; and, for the next 250 years, the sense of the word “artillery” covered all forms of military weapons. Hence, the naming of the *Honourable Artillery Company*, which was essentially an infantry unit until the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

**Motion to adjourn by John Avery and second by Greg Wolk. Meeting adjourned at 2006 hrs with a prayer led by Fr. Vincent Heier.**

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#### Secretary-Treasurer Report

1. Have submitted our annual per capita report. Here is the breakdown.
  - a. Losing Members: Dennis and Micael Hannon, Raymond Meyer, and Bill Griffith.
  - b. Life Members: Robert Amsler; Sumner Hunnewell; Greg Wolk; Walt Busch; Marty Aubuchon; Jim Pahl (2 added this year)
  - c. Dual Members: Jim Pahl; Sumner Hunnewell; Greg Wolk
  - d. Deceased Members: Carl Wattenberg, Jr; Donald Alwine
  - e. Total Membership: was 43 losing 6 total 37. Two associates.
  - f. When per capita was sent in, sent in check for \$928 (31 paying members x \$899 per capita each (\$23 National/\$6 state).
2. Membership cards are being mailed due to Corona to all members – so  $\$0.55 \times 36 = \$19.80$  added to my Brothers’ dues
3. Last month started keeping a little track of what I pay out over the year as secretary. While I don’t put in requests for paper or laserjet ink, envelopes and some other stuff, I have started keeping a list and want it year each to go to what I pay for my brothers to be members. The March total was \$28.16 for this year so far. Now I add an additional \$3.70 (plus the \$19.80 above) to ship this to a person who bought a name tag and address labels. Also spent \$2.80 mailing in Form 27 and one copy, but lost receipt. New total being applied to my brothers’ dues is: \$54.46.



4. Mailed in \$25 check to Mo History Museum advising them it was in honor of Carl Wattenberg, Jr. Rec'd copy of nice thank you Mark sent to Elizabeth Wattenberg
5. Have not heard from Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery about
6. The Rassiuer Bell has not yet been sent to us due to the Cornea Virus in Maryland and the owner not wanting to venture forth. She advised that she also has not deposited the check yet either. Probably will be sent in a few weeks.

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3/10/2020	105	Mark Coplin Postage		-7.90	-7.90
3/10/2020	156	Martha Trunk - Purchase & shipping of Rassiuer Camp Bell		-235.00	-235.00
3/11/2020	5309	Chris Hunter Dues & SVR Dues	38.00		
3/13/2020	141	Mo Civil War Museum in memory of Carl Wattenberg		-25.00	-25.00
3/19/2020	DEP	Deposit			186.00
4/5/2020	180	Dept of MO Per Capita		-914.00	-914.00
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	<b>SVR Fund</b>	<b>\$201.51</b>			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$647.76</b>	<b>Total in Checking \$1,592.86</b>		
			<b>Undeposited Funds</b>		
			<b>Total \$1,592.86</b>		

**AGENDA FOR \_\_\_\_\_ 2020 MEETING**

**PRESENT:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**BILLS TAKEN IN OR MONEY REC'D:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**OPENED AT \_\_\_\_\_ HRS PLEDGE \_\_\_\_\_ PRAYER \_\_\_\_\_ LED BY \_\_\_\_\_**

**MINUTES APPROVAL YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_**

**SECRETARY TREASUER REPORT APPROVAL YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ SUBJECT TO AUDIT**

**COMMANDER'S REPORT:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**TRIVIA & GOOD OF THE ORDER**

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