

US Grant Camp Meeting Minutes  
November 14, 2016 7PM  
Frailey's Grill, I-55 & Butler Hill Rd

Present: Mark Coplin, Bob Petrovic, Marty Aubuchon, John Avery, Jim Stebbings, Fr. Vincent Heier, Mike Hudson, John Palmer, Don Palmer, Walt Busch

Opening Ceremonies: 1902 Prayer – Father Heier Pledge – Mark Coplin  
Reading and approval of minutes: Motion by Bob Petrovic and 2<sup>nd</sup> Martin Aubuchon, Passes  
Approval of Secretary & Treasurer's report. Motion by Don Palmer, 2<sup>nd</sup> John Avery. Passes with treasurer's report subject to audit.

Commander's Report

Two badge orders to ship this week. May need to change photo of badge on our ad as the wording has changed on it. Also may need to change form to better reflect shipping charges. Researched Andrew Crawford Post 6 of New Philadelphia OH for a museum in Phoenix, AZ.

Senior Vice Commander's Report: None

Junior Vice Commander's Report: Bob Aubuchon wrote Walt that he marched in Veteran's Day parade in CW Uniform.

Department Report –

We recommend that Commander Burd send greetings and an invitation to Governor Elect Eric Greitens to attend rededication ceremony in Vicksburg. Don suggests we have committee draft letter. Walt suggests we need to include speaker of house and president of senate as well as MS Governor.

Bob Petrovic working on coin.

National Report – General Discussion about holding 2019 Encampment in Missouri and issue that Hilton in Branson is not responding. Group feels changing it to Springfield is a waste and if that is the case, we should pass on the encampment.

Civil War Trivia

1. Which were the most widely used revolvers during the Civil War?
2. Which were the most widely used rifles during the war?
3. What was the workhorse cannon on both sides?
4. What was the problem with the Model 1855 Colt repeating rifle?
5. What shape for the Minié ball? Why was this revolutionary bullet so deadly?
6. What were the materials used to make cartridges for the Sharps carbine?
7. What weapon did the Nashville Plow Works make?
8. What did Federal troops call the 13 inch, 17,000 lbs mortar they used during the Siege Of Petersburg?
9. Who devised the tunneling method for the Union mine at Petersburg, VA?
10. By what name did antislavery settlers in Kansas call their Sharps rifles?

Fun Fact – Kennesaw Mountain is named after the Cherokee word for "Burial Ground."

Book / Media Review – None this month

Old Business –

Need to know who is coming to Christmas dinner by Nov 30. Don at [pondook@aol.com](mailto:pondook@aol.com)  
Of Commander Coplin.  
Website Update – Walt and Don working on it. Don needs to send Walt info for  
Linking godaddy to new account.  
Installation of officers to be done at Christmas dinner.

ELECTION – All officer remained the same. Secretary casted one vote for all officers.

New Business –

Question of Dues by Don Palmer – Group agrees dues remain \$35 with \$3 for SVR if a member  
Desires  
Discussion of projects – Don brought up a marker down in Soulard that was discussed several  
Years ago. Walt mentioned we have last soldiers that we could put markers at and we could  
Get funds from national for them.

Good of the Order

Christmas Dinner – Dec 6 – Michael Banisek who has written 10 books about CW west of  
Mississippi to speak  
January Meeting – Anyone have a Book? Media? Please share with came.

Closing Ceremonies – prayer by Fr. Heier 2018