



**Brigadier General Joseph Bailey Camp #5**

**Bill Elliott: Secretary /Treasurer**

Minutes of the **March 8th, 2023** Camp 5 meeting.

Zoom ID #828034966386

Meeting held at the Caddo Parish Coroner's Office, 2900 Hearne Ave., Shreveport, LA.  
Meeting called to Order at 6:05PM by Commander John A. Prime

**Attending:** In person: Brothers Prime, Heller, Elliott, Henigan, Reynolds, and Diamond. Brother Matt Spears logged on through Zoom.  
Opening Ceremonies were conducted. Opening prayer by Chaplain Heller.

**Commanders Report:** Commander Prime did not bring a report.

**Sec. / Tres. Report:** The minutes of the January 8th meeting were emailed out to all. Brother Elliott reported that a second notice about the annual dues had been sent out and we had 9 out of 19 billable members still owing their 2023 dues. Elliott reported he had to file the Annual Report with our Per Capita owed to the Texas Department and National by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Commander Prime moved to accept the minutes as published, seconded by Brother Reynolds. Approved by vote. Commander Prime moved for acceptance of financial report, seconded by Brother Heller, approved by vote.

**Unfinished Business:** Brother Elliott reported he had attended the Shreveport SCV Camp and also the Tyler SCV Camp recruiting for SCV members who also has Union Veterans to become a member of the SUVCW and become an SOB. He also reported that Brother Joe Reynolds had received 3 requests for information about joining our Camp off the Texas Department website. Brother Elliott had contacted all 3 and was helping pull up their ancestor's service records. They had also met one of the inquirers in person as he is a Ranger at the Pleasant Hill battlefield. Elliott also reported his survey concerning meeting location; meeting dates and times did not bring much response. One said he just wanted to be a member, a couple stated having food would be nice but most did not respond at all. Brothers Elliott and Henigan had stopped by the Waskom City Hall and went over the use of their community building. They told them it would be free and the meeting date of Wednesday should not be a problem with their booking calendar as most people want it for Fridays through Sundays.

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We would have to be at City Hall before they close at 4:30 pm to pick up the key to the building and that we would have to bring the key back and just drop it in their night drop box after our meeting. Brothers Elliott and Henigan picked up the required paperwork we would have to fill out. So the question was if someone goes and gets the key before 4:30 pm what do they do until our meeting at 6pm? Brother Elliott also talked with the Shreveport SCV Camp Commander about meeting at Shane's. They were not charged for the meeting room. The room seats around 70 people and their meetings bring around 30-plus people. The lady who waitresses their meeting does an outstanding job, and seeing what they have on their schedule is the key. They would expect all attending to eat. Discussion was held and it was decided to try Shane's for the April 12<sup>th</sup> meeting and then try the Waskom Community Center for the May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. We can also look for meeting locations in Marshall. Brother Reynolds offered to also help bring programs to our meetings.

**New Business:** Open discussion held on Camp activities. The Texas Department Encampment was discussed. It will be held on April 29, 2023 at the Heritage Society building at Sam Houston Park at 1100 Bagby St., Houston, TX. 77002. Brother Elliott will include more info with the March meeting minutes. The start time is 10 am, registration fee is \$30.00. The meeting start time is at 10 AM. Brothers stating they were going to attend were Prime, Reynolds, Elliott and Henigan. We are allowed five delegates. Discussion held on our Camp pitching in with the other Camp on the cost of a gift for Commander in Chief Bruce Frail, who will be also attending.

**Program:** None

**Good of the Order:** We prayed for Brother Gary Joiner, as he had taken a fall at his house and seriously injured his shoulder. We prayed for the people of Ukraine and world peace. Brother Heller gave the benediction.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Next Meeting April, 12th, 2023

Submitted for approval at the April 12th meeting by Bill Elliott.

Fin. Report:

**Balance 3/1/23**

**\$1,113.55**

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