

SUVCW Minutes for November 2, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Commander Jim Monteton at 6:37 P.M.

The Invocation was given by Brother Brad Schall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brother C. Lyons.

Brother Lyons confirmed that the Minutes from October had been sent to Brother Jon Henry for entry on the Camp's website. Brother Lyons had copies of the printed Minutes.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Brother Lyons as follows: Camp 22, \$1,618.88; Company B (SVR), \$860.79 as of November 1, 2016.

Commander Monteton brought up the need for stronger stakes to use when the Camp is set up at events as the ground at the Railfair site as well as Gibson Ranch is like concrete. Brother David Salyer said that there is a kit with strong stakes. Brother Schall made a motion that the Camp will pay up to \$100.00 for such a kit. The motion was passed unanimously. Brother Salyer will bring the bill to the next SUVCW meeting.

Brother Schall announced that he was named as committee chairman of the committee which will discuss the request given to the national leadership at the last National Encampment regarding the wording of the Rule passed in 2000 which said that the SUVCW would support the use of the Confederate battle flag as used in the historical context of the Civil War. The request asked that the rule's wording be clarified in lieu of recent events when the battle flag was flown at several Southern states' Capitol or other government buildings. Brother Schall indicated that while the committee was currently split, a report would be issued in a couple week's time.

Brother Monteton asked how many would be attending the Veteran's Day event at Sylvan Cemetery on November 11. There will be a group of SUVCW men to fire rifles at the conclusion of the ceremony as well as the playing of Taps (which is a tape.)

Brother Salyer brought up an event held in Benecia at their State Park on May 20. The event is being developed by the locals, but it would be a good thing for Camp 22 to be involved. Brother Salyer will report when more details are known.

Commander Monteton advised that he is still working on the possibility of setting a tombstone for a supposed Civil War soldier in Manteca, but gathering evidence and information has been very difficult. He will keep trying.

Commander Monteton then wondered aloud if representatives of the SUVCW gave a talk about the Civil War to school students as was done during Black History Month and was a tremendous success. In that event, it was rather interesting that the teachers did not know much at all about the Civil War themselves.

Brother Bolmfalk spoke of a teacher of his who made statements of fact that were not and how he corrected her.

At that point, my recorder died.

Treasurer's Report as of January 1, 2017

Camp 22: \$1,987.88

Cpmpny B: \$914.79