## **Ark-La-Tex Chapter Meeting Minutes March 8, 2022**

## **Members Present**

Clarence Burns Bill Sekel

Rick Blackwood Dennis M. Beckham

Danny Addington Harold Blair

Josh Beckham

## **Visitors Present**

Claude A. Crocker IV Shawn Tully

Larry Joe Reynolds Carolyn Addington

Howard Blatch Mark Murry

**Bob Woodroof** 

President Clarence Burns called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Compatriot Rick Blackwood gave the invocation.

Compatriot Clarence Burns introduced and welcomed the members and guests.

Compatriot Clarence Burns led the members and guests in the pledge to the United States flag, the Texas flag, and the SAR flag.

The reading of the minutes from the February 12, 2022, business meeting was waived. The minutes were emailed to all chapter members on March 2, 2022.

Compatriot Clarence Burns entertained a motion to elect Danny Addington as Treasured. Motion was made by Dennis Beckham and seconded by Bill Sekel. Motion carried.

Compatriot Danny Addington gave the Treasurer's Report.

Compatriot Clarence Burns introduced the guest speaker Claude Crocker, Chaplain of the Linden Police Department,

Compatriot Clarence Burns led a discussion of meeting days and times. Discussion was whether to move the meetings back to the American Legion Hall. It was also discussed to have a meeting in June. Motion was made by Dennis Beckham to hold the meeting in June and at the American Legion Hall. It was seconded by Rick Blackwood. The motion carried. The meeting will be on the second Tuesday at 6:30.

Compatriot Clarence Burns led discussion of vacant officer positions. There was no action on the Vice-President position.

Compatriot Clarence Burns appointed Compatriot Josh Beckham as Assistant Chaplain. Compatriot Dennis Beckham was appointed as Scrapbook Keeper. Dennis stated that his daughter, a DAR member, would help him.

Compatriot Dennis Beckham gave the Registrar's Report. He stated that he had applications for 4 men for membership.

Compatriot Clarence Burns led a discussion of giving a Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to a deserving Law Enforcement Officer. Motion was made by Dennis Beckham and seconded by Bill Sekel to give the medal to Linden Police Officer Jose Cruz. Motion carried. The Law Enforcement Medal was donated by Larry Joe Reynolds.

Compatriot Clarence Burns led a discussion about ordering rosettes for future new members. Motion was made by Dennis Beckham and seconded by Rick Blackwood to order 6 new rosettes. Motion carried.

Compatriot Clarence Burns led a discussion about participating in Flag Retirement Ceremonies with the DAR and the American Legion.

Compatriot Clarence Burns led members in the SAR Closing Admonition.

Compatriot Bill Sekel made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Compatriot Rick Blackwood. Motion carried.

Compatriot Josh Beckham gave the Benediction.