



**WITHLACOOCHEE CHAPTER**  
Sons of the American Revolution  
December 05, 2020

The General Meeting of the Withlacoochee Chapter of the SAR was called to order at 10:33 by Chapter President Dave Hitchcock.

**Invocation** - Richard Trout Jr

**Pledge of Allegiance** - Mark Labdia

**The SAR Pledge:** - Dave Hitchcock

**The American Creed** - \_\_\_\_\_

**Introduction of Guest** - David Hitchcock

No Guest

**Opening Comments** – Members in need of prayer

o Say a prayer for all members and family who are sick or are in need of payer.

**Member in Attendance**- See attached list

**INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS;**

None

**Awards Presentation:**

Compatriot Tom Bowe was presented a certificate and medal for Law Enforcement, Fire Safety, and a Certificate of Appreciation for the March presentation.

Compatriot Ron Powell was presented a certificate and Chapter Distinguished Service Medal

**Chapter Nominations Committee** Larry Sturgeon

o Seeking nominations from the floor for 2021 year Offices. No nominations were made from the floor.

o Announcing the positions and names from the nominating committee; President, David Hitchcock; 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Robert Folk; 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Stephen Brown; Treasure, Richard Bailey; Secretary, Thomas Hellem

o Motion was made that nominations be closed; seconded, and passed

o Motion was made that the election for those members and positions nominated be voted on intact; the motion was seconded, and sent to the floor for a vote and passed.

o A Vote was taken on the floor and those members nominated were voted into office for the 2021 Chapter session: ; President, David Hitchcock; 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Robert Folk; 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Stephen Brown; Treasure, Richard Bailey; Secretary, Thomas Hellem

o Annual Elections closed

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Treasurer's Report** – Richard Bailey, Treasurer;

Fifty members have paid dues. The annual dues are still being collected. Dues must be collected no later than the end of December 2020.

At the November 28<sup>th</sup> EBM announced that any chapter member inquiring of the Chapter Finances, please contact the treasurer by Phone or Email and the treasurer will provide the information requested.

Motion was made, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and, voted to accept.

#### **Secretary's Report** – Tom Hellem, Secretary;

The last General meeting was held on November 14, 2020 and the EBM on November 28, 2020 meetings minutes are posted on the Withlacoochee Chapter web page.

Main subject of the meetings; Chapter roster has been updated to 80 members, meeting are small due covid19 condition.

Motion was made and seconded, voted to accept.

#### **WYKE - Stephen Brown**

No report

#### **Registrar's Report** – Stephen and Vicki Brown

No report

#### **Veterans Committee Activity** – Bill Teater

- o There are 3 names still on Christmas list at this time, Walmart will take care of them.
- o No Christmas party at the Veteran's Home. Gifts will be delivered to the home, a certificate will be presented to Johanna.
- o Presented to the members; stop the quarters program and replace with presenting a needed item to the Veteran's Home. Membership vote to provide a needed item.
- o Submit mileage per person when participating in a SAR function to the Veteran's Committee.
- o Wreath's Across America is on the 19<sup>th</sup> of December. Be there early and everyone will meet at the Pavilion.

#### **Poster Contest** – Larry Sturgeon (not attending) No report

#### **JROTC/Sea Cadets/Color Guard** – Russell Gibson;

- o Color Guard participated in placing flags on graves at the Florida National Veterans Cemetery
- o Massing of the Colors were held at the Church Without Wall near Lecanto, Color Guard was in attendance.
- o We are not part of this year's program of Wreath s Across America, we still suggest that members who would like to attend in uniform, show up to accrue points.

#### **Publicity** – Mark Labadia

Working on the newsletter and getting ready to publish.  
Setting up the newsletter distribution.

**Eagle Scouts** – Charlie Day

The committee distributed a letter to the scouting groups asking for recognition of scouts those moving up to Eagle Scout.

The Eagle Scout essay contest starts at the beginning of the year.

**Poster Contest** – Larry Sturgeon

Do not have any schools competing at this time. Hernando Elementary may be the only school this year.

**Web Page** Richard Bailey

Still working on moving pictures to the new site..

**Newsletter**– Mark Labadia,

o Activity, researching on format and content.

**Old Business** – David Hitchcock; No old business to report

**New Business** – Dave Hitchcock

o Discussion about the types of items that could be provided to the Veterans Home

**Ending Comments** – Dave Hitchcock

o Discussion about the swearing in of 2021 Chapter Officers.

**Happy Dollars**- Richard Bailey

Happy Dollars are collected to supplement the cost of the programs which the chapter is involved.

Happy Birthday to Ken Dunn; 90 years young

**SAR Recessional**- Ken Dunn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:34 PM

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Next EBM Saturday, January 2, 2021 @ 11:00 AM**

Located on Horse Lake Rd. in Hernando Co. @ Beef O Brady

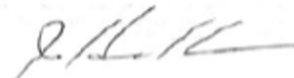
**Next General Meeting Saturday January 9, 2021 @ 10:30 AM**

Located on 509 E Hartford St. @ Citrus Hills Country Club



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David Hitchcock, President



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Tom Hellem, Secretary