

Masonic Temple Thursday Evening, April 4th, 2024. At a Stated Communication of Fellowship Lodge No. 84, A.F. & A.M. Smithfield, NORTH CAROLINA. HELD ON THE ABOVE DATE PRESENT:

WM: Ben Wagoner

SW: Tom Lock

JW: Zach Stanley

Treas: Jack Wooten PM

Sec'y: Wil Wynn

Chaplain: Donald Coates PM

SD: Matthew Marek PM

JD: Dennis Edwards PM

Steward:

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Tyler: Hutch Earp PM

Marshal:

Other Members Present: Jim Farmer PM, Terry Parker PM,

Guests:

Lodge was opened on the third degree of Masonry in Due Form at 7:30PM.

Minutes from the previous SC (21MAR2024) were read.

DEATHS REPORTED:

SICKNESS REPORTED:

WM asked for the Secretary's Correspondence:

1. Bro Secretary asked for clarification from Grover Dees PM on actions for nonpaid dues.
 - a. Unpaid dues form notice must go out in 3rd quarter to align with by-laws.
 - b. Bro Secretary will take care of signing forms to get ready to mail in July.
2. Table Lodge is set for June 20th. Please send payments for tickets.
3. Bro Dennis Edwards PM mentioned the driveway out-front may need some work. Discussion was held and Bro Terry Parker PM will take a look.

WM Correspondence:

1. Dues Increase:
 - a. Discussed that based on calculator from GL, it is suggested we raised dues to \$184, with the total being \$220.
 - b. Bro Zach mentioned there is a way to designate part of dues paid from each member to go to the building fund. Zach and Sec will look into this.
 - c. Bro Grover Dees PM made a motion to increase dues to \$184, for a total of \$220. Seconded by Matthew Marek.
 - d. All brethren will be notified of a vote of dues increases. It must sit for 30 days. Vote will be held at 2nd SC in May.
2. Discussed info on Alexandria trip. WM handed out info for 2 different options.
3. 5th Thursday in May at WM's house. Bring a lawn chair.
4. Recruitment.
 - a. Pamphlet discussion
 - b. Facebook ad is up and running.
 - c. Jack brought up when guest come to get contact info and welcome them back.
 - d. Contact card for guests.
5. Sign up sheet for Ham and Yam will be in Lobby. Will need people to pickup and deliver things. Also need 1 table and some chairs, a tent, waters.

OTHER:

MASONIC EDUCATION:

Meal Cost: \$ 75 – Gumbo cooked by WM Ben!

Meal Collection: \$ 100 to Ben, remaining to the lodge.

There being no further business the minutes were read and approved, and the Lodge was closed in due form and harmony at 9:00PM.