

Edmund Terrill Chapter No. 34 Sherman Texas Society Sons of The American Revolution



Meeting Minutes

Introduction

The May 8th, 2022 meeting of Edmund Terrill Chapter No. 34 was held in the meeting room at the First United Bank in Sherman, Texas.

President Gary Barker called the meeting to order at 12:04 PM.

President Gary Barker welcomed everyone to the meeting along with those who were attending via Zoom.

A prayer was offered by President Gary Barker followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Honor to the Texas Flag. The pledge to the Sons of the American Revolution was recited.

In attendance were:

<u>Members present:</u> Edmund Terrill Chapter Members present. Gary Barker - President, Ray Hargis – Vice President, T.L. Holden – Registrar, Secretary – Paul Mattoon, Treasurer – Wade Graves, Ted Wilson, Dr. Gary Sisson, and Bill Hurst.

<u>Visiting Guests</u>. Rick Taylor, Linda Hargis, Jason Lankford, Christy Lankford, and Troy Aegischer.

Awards and Recognitions

The following medals and certificates were presented and members recognized:

Fire Commendation Medal and Certificate – Jason Lankford

EMS Commendation Medal and Certificate – Troy Aegischer

Lafayette Service Medal Certificate – Ray Hargis, T.L. Holden, and Gary Barker

Color Guard Lieutenant Colonel and Northern Color Guard Commander – Gary Barker

Color Guard Certificate of Commendation – Gary Barker

Silver Roger Sherman Medal – Gary Barker

Texas Silver Service Medal – Gary Barker

Ted Wilson was recognized for his year as Chapter President and SAR Yearbook

The Edmond Terrell Chapter received the following awards at the Texas State Convention on April 1-2, 2022:

<u>The Galveston Award</u> – Honorable mention in Texas Society having the highest dollar total increase to the Col. Joe M. Hill Patriots Fund in 2021

<u>Col. Joe M Hill Patriot Fund Award</u> – for total contributions that exceeded the previous year for 2021

<u>Texas SAR Flag Presentation Award</u> – Given to Chapters having recognized and individual, company, or organization for the proper display, maintenance, and care for flying the Flag of the United States during the past year. (Edmund Terrill #34 is a repeat winner.)

<u>Texas SAR Outstanding Public Service Award</u> – Chapter that has given all 5 Public Service awards.

<u>Texas SAR Yearbook Award</u> – Group 1 – 1st Place <u>Texas Society Silver Service Medal</u> – Service to the Texas Society, SAR

Announcements

The Color Guard is to muster at Frontier Village in Denison on Saturday, May 21, 2022 for Presentation of the Colors at 10 AM in recognition of Armed Forces Day/State Color Guard Rally.

Speaker

Rick Taylor (former US Army officer and CIA Contractor) gave an interesting talk on his experiences in the service of our country.

Old Business

None

New Business

Minutes - Published on the website

Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's Report was presented by Wade Graves.

Reports on Committees

Annual Due increase due to cost of Service Awards. Chapter officers met on February 3, 2022 to discuss the shortfall of funds available to current programs. It was agreed that a \$9.50 was insufficient and to increase the chapter dues from that amount to \$20, thus bringing the dues owed annually (\$35 National, \$12.50 Texas, and \$20 Chapter) to \$67.50/year to satisfy the shortfall. By motion, which was seconded, the Chapter voted to approve the increase of SAR Membership dues to \$67.50/year.

<u>Wounded Warrior Recognition</u> – President Gary Barker announced that the coins reported last meeting by TL Holden as available were received.

<u>Patriot Grave Markings</u> – Compatriot Ray Hargis stated that James Carter, who is buried in Bonham, has been confirmed to be a Revolutionary Veteran. A book claims that James Carter was a patriot from North Carolina, live in Tennessee in 1796, paid in Halifax County, but his Revolutionary War pension was denied because he lied to a Captain of the Continental Army. According to Ray Hargis, the paperwork to get the site approved by SAR National is pending. Once approved, a dedication will be scheduled with the press notified.

Budget - Compatriot Holden announced that the Budget was good through the end of the year.

Upcoming Events

May 21 – State Color Guard Rally, Frontier Village, Denison, TX

May 30 – Memorial Day Parade, Denison, TX with the SAR Color Guard leading the way

Jun 14 - Flag Day Celebration, Elks Lodge, Greenville, TX @ 5:30 PM

Jul 4 – Independence Day Parade, McKinney, TX

Jul 9-13 – National SAR Congress, Savannah, GA

Aug 26-27 – 2022 South Central District Meeting

Sep 30-Oct 23 – Registration Table, State Fair of Texas

Oct 21-22 - State BOM, McKinney, TX

Nov 6 – Massing of Colors, Ft Worth, TX

Nov 11 - Veterans Day - TBD

Dec 17 - Wreaths Across America

The Benediction was offered by President Gary Barker and the Recessional recited.

The meeting was closed at about 1:00 PM.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 21, 2022 starting at 12:00 Noon at the First United Bank, 400 Travis St., Sherman, Texas.

Visit the Edmund Terrill web site at https://www.txssar.org/EdmundTerrill/ for information.

Paul Mattoon Chapter Secretary