

SELAMA GROTTO M.O.V.P.E.R.

Session minutes

September 12, 2018

Present: MON David Vincent, CJ Russ Wurr, MOC Chris Webb, Treasurer PM Hardy Bryan 3rd, Secretary PM Bruce Ward, Venerable Prophet Charlie Clinker, Marshall PM Joe Griffith, Chaplain James Hughey, Sentinel Joe Glaser.

There were a total of 8 Past Monarchs, 7 red tassels and 1 visitors.

OPENING:

At 7:30 p.m. the Grotto was called to order and SCDD James Mason was escorted in. The Monarch then opened in due form with the Pledge of Allegiance and allowed for a courtesy salute to the Canadian flag. The Chaplain gave the invocation.

INTRODUCTIONS AND CALENDAR:

The MOC introduced the dignitaries and presented the calendar for the next month.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous Stated meeting were distributed in the dining room before the meeting. It was moved, seconded and passed to bypass the reading of the minutes. Minutes were adopted as distributed.

Bills:

8/7/18	James Fernandez - lawn service	35.00	
8/7/18	Eastern Star Cardinals 08 August		20.00
8/8/18	Rick Renshaw for maintenance repairs	184.89	
8/8/18	Bruce Ward - Dinner at Masonic Home	45.50	
8/13/18	city - water	152.42	
8/13/18	John Consoli new prophet		100.00
8/13/18	Pinellas Daylight - 2018 08 August		200.00
8/17/18	D Turin & Company - tassels & holders	98.98	
8/28/18	Duke Energy	317.01	
8/20/18	Eastern Star Proficiency group		34.00
8/20/18	Clifton A. Butts new prophet		100.00

It was moved and seconded to pay the bills as read. Passed by voice vote.

The Treasurer reported for the previous month	
833.80	Payments
454.00	Deposits
5,052.16	Balance at EOM

It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the Treasurer's reports subject to audit. Passed XX to 0.

Communications:

1. Trestleboards from several Lodges. All posted on bulletin board.
2. Announcement from Supreme Council about National Prophet Day March 23, 2019. The \$15 initiation fee will be waived for any new member initiated then or during the month of March 2019.

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3. New reporting procedure for local Grottoes concerning financial accounts
4. Edicts for the new year.

PETITIONS: Clifton A. Butts, with copy of Blue Lodge dues card and check for \$100.

BALLOTING: Clifton A. Butts. Ballot was clear. He will be initialed at our October 6, 2018 Ceremony.

RECOMMENDATIONS: none, there was no meeting of the Board of Directors due to lack of quorum.

OLD BUSINESS:

The petition of Bob Isgan for Affiliation was read and balloted upon. The ballot was clear.

NEW BUSINESS:

Moved, seconded, and passed to allow Rick Renshaw to spend up to \$450 for maintenance. Sprinkler system parts, extending ladder, gravel for rear gate areas.

UNIT REPORTS:

1. Cast Unit – Charlie Clinker - practice Sept. 15 and 29, Ceremony on Oct. 6, 2018
2. Jokers Unit: –David Vincent – no report
3. Past Monarch’s Unit – Joe Griffith – LNO was good, 3 Past Monarchs and current Monarch, Russ Wurr will present his calendar to the Unit on Oct. 2, 2018.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: none were given.

SICKNESS and DISTRESS:

1. Ed Flowers was visited by Rick Renshaw and Hardy Bryan, he is excited and happy with his new residence.
2. Many brothers in distress including Chuck Baily (low white cell count = 1), Tom Ratner (knee surgery), Ed Villuame see SCDD remarks. David Douglas’ roommate fell and broke 3 ribs, is in ICU. Brain Jacob cancer is progressing, can not have any more chemo, looking for other treatments. Jeanni Griffith is recovering and fighting an infection.

ANNOUNCEMENTS and Good of the Order

Meeting was then turned over to SCDD Jim Mason for his remarks.

Main message, need to work on membership.

His wife Sherri is in restorative rehab, allowed to go out and return.

L. Edward Villuame III has cancer throughout his body, in liver, given maybe six months to live.

Resigned as of Oct. 1, 2018 as Grand Secretary for Florida York Rite.

CLOSING: The Grotto was closed in due form at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Ward, PM, Secretary