

MINUTES
12TH US INFANTRY, CO. A - ANNUAL MEETING
3-309th Regiment Reserve Center, Liverpool, NY

FEBRUARY 11, 2006
2:30 PM

Board Attendance: Jim Hurd (Acting President), Linda Hurd, Neil MacMillan, Peg Reilly (Treasurer), Paul Killius, Maria Killius, Jim Duran, Pamela Crane, Charles Poltenson (Secretary), Bill Mayers, Carol Mayers

Membership: A quorum of the full membership was present.

- **Call to Order/Additions to Agenda:** Capt. Jim Hurd called the meeting to order at 2:45 PM. There were no additions to the agenda.
- **Treasurer's Report (Peg Reilly):** We have a balance of \$2,058.82 as of 12/31/05. The Treasurer's Report is attached. Capt. Mayers moved for adoption and was seconded by Cpl. Jim Duran. Treasurers' report was approved.
- **Secretary's Report (Sgt. Poltenson):** A brief overview of our insurance coverage was presented. Currently our coverage is with Carpenter Insurance, which was recently bought out by the National Rifle Association. Terms of the NRA insurance will prevent us from renewing in late 2006, so we will be researching other carriers. A response to our letter regarding the proposed casino at Gettysburg was received from the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board. It was a form letter that did not address our concerns. 1st. Sgt. MacMillan moved that the report be accepted. Pamela Crane seconded the motion. The report was accepted.
- **Overview of Sections:**
 - **1st. Sgt. MacMillan:** Roster revised for HQ section as well as others.
 - **Capt. Hurd:** Sgt. Browka has indicated a willingness to assist with running this section.
 - **Lt. Killius:** Private Rock-Blake will be assisting Lt. Killius with contacting Section members. Section in good shape.
 - **Cpl. Stowe (Venture Crew):** There will have to be a meeting of the Crew to ascertain its future and intentions of its members. Several will be heading off to college.
 - **Cpl. Duran:** A brief update on Newark Valley was provided. This year the issue with the horse will be addressed by placing them on the other side of the creek. A live shoot is planned with the sponsors providing powder and muskets. Cpl. Duran also noted that, as Company Clerk, he was collecting revised medical forms. He suggested that military members should carry them in their cartridge boxes, so that in an emergency they could be located quickly.

- **1st Sgt. Boris:** Absent.
- **Civilians (Pamela Crane):** The civilians discussed how to improve first person impressions. As a group, our overall impression (our reason for being on the company street) is that of visiting our families who are in long-term camp. It was noted that the Civilian section was the largest in the 12th. It was a productive year and everyone was having fun.
- **Vote on Season's Maximum Effort Events (Capt. Hurd):** A list of maximum effort events was proposed by Capt. Hurd. These included 145th Bull Run, Peterboro, Erie Canal, Newark Valley and Cedar Creek. Listed as favorites included Mumford and Hamlin Beach. Others would be noted on a master list, but we would focus on the Maximum Effort events. A discussion then ensued and Lt. Killius put a suggestion forth that two maximum effort events in Virginia might be a stretch for many folks. Cedar Creek was then moved to a "favorite" and removed as a maximum effort event for this year. A motion was made by Private Bill VanMarter to accept the schedule and was seconded by Capt. Mayers. Motion was carried and the changes will be noted on the web site.

A discussion also ensured on mess for events. It was determined that mess would be assumed for maximum and favorite events and others coordinated as needed. Registrations for events will still be coordinated through the Secretary.

- **By-Laws Amendments (By-Laws Committee):** 1st. Sgt. MacMillan chaired the By-Laws Committee consisting of himself, Sgt. Poltenson and Private Harold Reichard. The proposed By-Laws changes were mailed to the general membership. He gave a report on the changes. No comments or changes were suggested. A motion to accept as proposed was made by Pamela Crane and seconded by Bruce Stowe. Motion carried. 1st. Sgt. MacMillan thanked the Committee for their work.
- **Election of Audit Committee:** An audit committee was appointed to review the treasurer's report. The committee consists of Pvt. Bill Van Marter, Paul Guerrant and Pvt. Steve Neth (Chair). They will report to the Board before the Board's next meeting.
- **Election of Corporate Officers and Commanding Officer:** The election committee handed out ballots and then solicited nominations. Nominations were as follows:
 - President: Maria Killius, Carol Mayers (declined)
 - Treasurer: Peggy Reilly
 - Secretary: Charles Poltenson, Linda Hurd (declined)
 - Commanding Officer: Jim Hurd, Paul Killius (declined)

The winning slate is as follows:

- Corporate President: Maria Killius (One Year Term)
- Corporate Treasurer: Peg Reilly (One Year Term)
- Corporate Secretary: Charles Poltenson (One Year Term)
- Commanding Officer: Jim Hurd (Three Year Term)

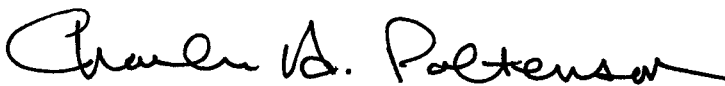
- **Comments/Thoughts by Incoming CO:** Capt. Hurd thanked everyone for their hard work during the past year and felt that we are on the road to growth and improved performance on the field.
- **New Business:**
 - **Quartermaster Sergeant:** The Board has created a position of Quartermaster Sgt. to take charge of working with the Mess Committee to ensure that everyone is fed, cook boxes are inventoried and complete, and that food allergies are taken into account. One of the reasons that this position was created is that there is a need for the burden to be lifted from the ladies of the unit. The QM Sgt. would be responsible for seeing that the cook boxes are transported to the events and that the duty roster is adhered to. Sgt. Poltenson has volunteered to fill the position. Pvt. Van Marter made a motion that the position be filled by Sgt. Poltenson and was seconded by Paul Guerrant. Motion carried.
- **Good of the Order:** 1st. Sgt. MacMillan asked that anyone who could to please provide him with updated addresses both snail mail and e-mail.

Lt. Killius asked that more people get involved with the events we host. He noted that the same people are doing the work pretty much all the time. We need new blood.

Newly elected President Maria Killius gave a brief update on Erie Canal. They had a meeting with Melody recently and everyone was looking forward to a good event this year. They will be providing a buffet breakfast on Saturday and Sunday morning. Invitations have been sent to all the units participating last year. They are working on improving the camping sties so that those who have to travel far can leave early. Another meeting will take place on the 21st of February.

Peg Reilly asked that we note the appointment of Matt Gurniak to West Point Military Academy. It is a great achievement and he has worked hard to get there.
- **Adjournment:** No further business to be conducted the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:



Charles A. Poltenson, Sr.
Secretary

12th US Infantry Civil War Living History Co.

Financial Report 1/1/05 to 12/31/05

Opening balance 1/1/05	\$702.70	
<u>Income</u>		
Dues collected	\$650.00	
Insurance collected	451.00	
Net profit from Erie Canal event (approx)	400.00	
<u>Expenses</u>		
USV dues		50.00
Carpenters trust Insurance		547.00
PO Box annual rent		70.00
Dues paid to 12 th US due to Venture Crew		10.00
New flag holders		30.00
Stamps and other supplies		81.85
Award for Maj Allen		85.90
Totals	\$2203.70	\$874.75
Checking account ending balance 12/31/05	\$2058.82	

The above figures do not balance due to missing information (statements and checkbook not given to the Treasurer.) The use of the original account at Geddes Federal Savings & Loan was discontinued and a new account opened at Bank of America due to easier access to the account by the Treasurer and Secretary.

Registration fees collected for events attended by 12th US members were forwarded on and therefore not included in this report. Registration collected for the Peterboro event from other attending units was forwarded to the Peterboro Committee to help cover their expenses. Mess fees collected from members was forwarded to the mess officer for the events. Receipts for their purchases were submitted.

If any members have questions or concerns regarding this report, I will try to address them. Please do not hesitate to bring them to my attention.

Peggy Reilly
Financial Officer