

Michigan Society of the War of 1812 Minutes of Meeting May 20, 2023 - Plymouth District Library

The meeting was called to order by President Treppa at 12:38 p.m.

Officers Present:

President Allan Treppa, Vice President Fredrick Barnard, Secretary James Petres, Treasurer David Boring, Genealogist Thomas Pleuss, Webmaster Elijah Shalis.

Members Present:

Thomas Fountain, John Morrison, Thomas Thompson and David VanHoof.

Guest Present:

Sam Laswell, Speakers Richard and Jean Micka

There was a quorum to conduct business.

Genealogist Tom Pleuss led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Vice President Fred Barnard led the 1812 Pledge.

Program: President Treppa introduced Richard Micka and his wife who spoke about the war on the River Raisin. There were period weapons for display. They also talked about some historical buildings in the Monroe area.

Society Business:

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the November 20, 2021 meeting were distributed by email and copies distributed to those present.

Motion by VP Barnard, second by John Morrison to approve the minutes from the November 20, 2021 meeting of the Michigan Society. **MOTION PASSED**

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Membership: Currently 48 members. Membership was up to 53. One member passed and four did not renew their membership.

There are three (3) new members.

| Charles H. Stevers | 8258 / 221 | Ancestor Private James Streeter |
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| Liam Aden Treppa | 8259 / 222 | Ancestor Private Aden Mitchell |
| Mark S. Stowe | 8276 / 223 | Ancestor Private Elias Breeze |

President Treppa has an approved supplemental application.

Necrology: Keith Harrison, who passed away January 12, 2023, was remembered. He a member of the Society since 1986 and was Michigan member #111.

New Business:

Treasurer's Report:

Annual Report: Treasurer Boring presented the Report. The balance on May 1st was \$7,266.74. Detailed reports are available for review.

Motion by John Morrison, second by Secretary Petres to accept the Treasurer's report.

MOTION PASSED

Cemetery Plaque at Pinckney Cemetery:

Secretary Petres presented information about placement of a historical type plaque at the Pinckney Cemetery with information about Claudius Britton II (Revolutionary War Veteran) and Claudius Britton III (War of 1812 Veteran) in joint project with the Huron Valley Chapter SAR.

The graves of these Patriots were marked with respective Society markers. The proposed plaque will be near the entrance of the cemetery with information about the lives of the Patriots. The Village of Pinckney has approved the placement of the plaque.

The cost of the plaque will be shared by the Huron Valley Chapter SAR, MISSAR and a grant from the NSSAR George Washington Endowment fund. The Huron Valley Chapter is asking that the Michigan Society fund one have of the Chapter cost, anticipated to be \$450.

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Member David VanHoof, who is the SAR Great Lakes District Vice President General nominee, spoke about the SAR cemetery plaque program.

Copies of the proposed wording for both sides of the plaque were distributed.

Motion by David VanHoof, second by John Morrison, to partner with the Huron Valley Chapter SAR and MISSAR and contribute \$450 to the Pinckney Cemetery plaque project.

MOTION PASSED

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Prepared by James Petres, Secretary