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Sidney Sherman Chapter #2

Minutes June 20, 2023

The members of the Sidney Sherman Chapter #2, Sons of the Republic of Texas (SRT) gathered at Kelley's Family Restaurant in Texas City before 5:30 PM on June 20 in the banquet room behind the cashier. At 6:02 PM President Carl Hill called the meeting to order. Robert Schnuriger gave the opening prayer. President Hill led us in the pledges to the United States and Texas Flags. Joe Weaver was inducted as the newest member of the Chapter. Minutes to the previous meeting were approved as posted on the website. Treasurer Mayo announced that the chapter has over \$4500 in our bank account and that we have no outstanding bills to report.

Attending: Christy Erickson!, Hugh Ferguson*, Robert Gindratt* (Second Vice-President), Albert Seguin Gonzales*, Carl Hill*(President), J.B. Kline*, John Lucas*, Steve Manis*(Treasurer General of the SRT and Knight of San Jacinto), Billy Mayo* (Treasurer), Charles McBee*, Mike Mitchell* with his wife Carol!, Steve Nicol*(Historian), Tim Rainey, Robert Schnuriger* (Chaplain), Ron Schoolcraft*(Past President), Eron Tyne! Joseph Weaver*, and Clark Wright*(Secretary) We had 16 Chapter members attending this meeting with a total of 19 in attendance.

Business: President Hill indicated that we will participate in the Galveston Parade to celebrate the National Independence Day, July 4. We will assemble near the intersection of 22^{nd} Street and Avenue P where the Chapter float takes it's place in the parade line.

July 22 marks an important meeting of the Chapter members to remember the birth of our name-sake Sidney Sherman who was born in the year of our Lord 1805 on July 23 in Marlboro, Massachusetts. Reservation Forms were made available at the meeting and are \$5.00 less, being \$35 if received by July 15.

Program: Mike Bailey, of the Brazoria Historical Museum reviewed a number of the flags that flew over the Republic. He began with the Jane Long flag and covered a number of the Naval flags that were used to distinguish the various privateers operating in the name of the Republic. Mike indicated that research says that more than 58 flags represented the various groups fighting for the Republic.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM. Members gathered for a group photograph.

Note: Chapter Members are denoted by a star (*), Honorary Members are denoted with an exclamation point (!) and other SRT members are denoted by a at-sign (@) in the list of attendees.

The Chapter Executive Board met on July 11 at the Pacific Seafood Restaurant to discuss several topics including arrangements for the birthday party planned for July 22. Board members attending were Carl Hill, Billy Mayo, Robert Schuringer, Robert Gindratt, Clark Wright, Ronnie Schoolcraft and Steve Manis.

Prepared by Clark P. Wright, Secretary