

**STEPHENS COUNTY HONOR GUARD
MINUTES FOR February 23, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by Commander Dan Mitchell at 1901 hrs at the American Legion Hall, Comanche, OK. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag recited. Invocation was given by Rick Duncan.

Attendance. Officers: Dan Mitchell, Commander, Johnny Seely, Vice Commander, Danny Johnson, Armorer, Garry McCain, Secretary/Treasurer; Members: John Williams, George Parker, Rick Duncan. Quorum achieved: 4 officers, 3 members, 7 Total. Auxiliaries: Pat Johnson.

No new members were presented.

Minutes from January 2017 meetings were accepted. Financial report was not given due the late meeting date with outgoing Secretary/Treasurer but bank statement was available.

Report of Officers:

Commander's Report:

- Thanks to Kathryn Cripps, outgoing Secretary/Treasurer, for her outstanding work over the past years.
- Thanks to the Audit / Bylaws Committee

Vice Commander's Report: Nothing to report

Armorer's Report: Danny has checked the armory and found that there was water coming from around a vent in the ceiling. Commander Mitchell had spoken with the officer in charge of that building and will contact them again.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report:

- Several thank you notes were passed around from families for services
- Garry commended Kathryn for her work as Secretary/Treasurer and will work to keep things up to date and hopefully by the March meeting everything will be organized properly.

No Speakers

Old Business:

- Dan is still looking to the plaques of appreciation but has had difficulty making contact with some vendors.

New Business:

- Johnny Seely gave a report from the annual records audit and bylaws review. There were no issues with the financial material and no needed changes to the bylaws. The following people volunteered: Kathryn Cripps, Garry McCain, Johnny Seely, Ken Youngblood, and Roy Grabman.
- George Parker had several changes/amendments he wanted to discuss with the membership and due to the fact that attendance was low and membership not properly prepared Commander Mitchell asked if he could allow a time of general discussion on these items with no action taken. George agreed and also agreed to compile a written list of his changes / amendments to be presented, along with motions, for the March meeting.
- A time of discussion was requested by George Parker in regards to the Purpose of the Stephens County Honor Guard and the Tenth Anniversary Celebration. After much time of discussion no action was taken.
- Commander Mitchell gave a report on the increased cost of the Challenge Coins and asked for the membership's input as whether to order additional coins or drop the practice. It was decided that the program should be continued. Commander Mitchell relinquished the chair to Vice-Commander Seely. Vice-Commander Seely asked for a motion to order new coins and Dan