

## Master Mason Association District 23

Minutes: February 22, 2024

Held at: Venice Lodge #301

The meeting of the 23<sup>rd</sup> District Master Mason Association was called to order by President Tim Ferdon at 6:50 pm at Venice Lodge #301. After the pledge of allegiance to the flag of our country, a prayer was offered by RW:. Lou Ortt

There were 26 members and guests in attendance. (See sign-in sheet for details).

### **Sickness and Distress**

Brother Dan Tibbets is recovering from a collapsed lung and COVID

### **Reading of the Minutes**

A Motion was made by RW:. John Wermann and 2<sup>nd</sup> by W:. Tom Kerr to waive the reading of the minutes. Motion was passed

### **Treasurer's Report**

The treasurer's report was given.

(See Attached) a motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report as given and a copy filed for audit.

### **Old Business**

1. A audit was completed by RW:. Doug Dobbs and Brother Hans Heide. Audit was accepted and found in good standing.
2. Elections were entertained for the following:
  - a. Hans Heide as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President
  - b. Chuck Wolbert as SecretaryWith no one running against them they were elected to the positions.

## **New Business**

1. The annual MMA Picnic for the district will be discussed at our next meeting
2. New Members paid by cash and given to the Treasurer \$60.00 from:
  - a. Destry Robbins
  - b. Arthur Southwell
  - c. Joe Smedley
3. Manatee Lodge #301 has a new website that is up and running. [WWW.manatee301.com](http://WWW.manatee301.com)
4. RW.: Rick Wendling will be visiting West Coast Lodge on March 26, 2024

## **Lodge Reports**

Lodge Activity reports were given by:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Manatee 31 -2   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peace River 66 - 2 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Punta Gorda 115 - 1 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sarasota 147 - 3 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Venice 301 - 11 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phoenix 346 - 3    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Englewood 360 – 6   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> W Coast 409 -1   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Liberty 412 - 1 |  |   |  |

Additional reports were also given by:

- York Rite     Samoor Grotto     Scottish Rite     Sahib Shrine

Broken Column was awarded to Englewood \$360 for most in attendance.

## **Important Announcements / Up Coming Events:**

- Grotto will be attending Punta Gorda Lodge on March 23, 2024
- MMA Meeting will be held March 28, 2024 at West Coast Lodge
- Scottish Rite will be holding the Ceremony of Remebrance on April 23, 2024 at the Scottish Rite Building on Tuttle Avenue, Dinner at 6:00 pm Ceremony starts at 7:00 pm
- Scottish Rite will be holding the Reunion offering the 5 mandatory degrees the remaing degrees will be conferred on ????????

With all business having been brought before the Craft and properly addressed, a closing prayer was offered by RW:. Lou Ortt After the prayer the meeting was closed at: 7:45pm

A school of instruction directed by RH:. Justin Broome was held following our Master Mason Association meeting. The subject was proper balloting etiquette  
Peace and Harmony Prevailed

Fraternally submitted: **I WILL SIGN ONCE APPROVED**

February 27, 2024