REGULAR STATED COMMUNICATION MINUTES ENDEAVOR LODGE #17 – AF&AM

ENDEAVOR LODGE #17 held Thursday February 15, 2024 A.L. 6024.

The Lodge was opened in due form on the **3rd Degree** of Masonry at 7:30 p.m. by

WM: James Carle with the following officers present:

SW: Charlie Arnold	JW: Chris Callahan
SEC: <u>Roger Willey</u>	TREAS: William Hopkins
SD: <u>Herb Jenkins</u>	JD: Jon Davis
SS: Shawn Lovenguth, PM	JS: Woody Magee
CHAP: Bill Sharp	TILER: Tom Parker

ATTENDANCE: _____ Members and ____ guest present as per the Tiler's Record.

MINUTES: Of our last Regular Stated Communication of January 11, 2024 (Grand Visitation) with no corrections noted.

The altar was Draped by the Junior Warden in memory of Brother John Timothy Lehne. His Masonic history was read into the record by the Secretary followed by prayer conducted by the Chaplain.

CORRESPONDENCE: ____A letter from a social worker at Cape Henlopen High School in appreciation for the meal cards donated to HOB School by the lodge was read.

BALLOTING: The investigating Committee for Petitioner Kyle Patrick reported on their findings. The Committee Chair Most Worshipful Richard Aydelotte reported that the Investigating Committee had interviewed the Petitioner and they were unanimously in favor of his prayer being granted and the Committee discharged with thanks. The Lodge voted by a unanimous show of hands to move the petition of Kyle Patrick Rager forward to the Ballot Box and to discharge the Committee with thanks.

Ballots were cast in Due and Ancient form after which the Ballot Box was inspected and found fair at all stations and Kyle Rager will be scheduled to receive the Entered Apprentice Degree at a future date, to which the lodge will be given due and timely notice.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer's report was read and approved subject to audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:_

Building: Brother Matt Dotterer stated plans had been drawn up for improvements/expansion of the existing Lodge building. He wished to meet with the house committee to discuss the next steps in the process.

Fundraising: Brother Jon Davis advised there would be a Springfest Committee Meeting next Wednesday. He advised the Committee would be asking the Lodge for \$28,500.00 . Brother Davis advised there was "a ton of interest in the event" but stated vendor costs had increased. PM Dominic stood and added that they would only be asking for \$9,000.00 at this time and most of the expenses would not have to be paid until the day of the event. He further stated two sponsors had agreed to contribute \$4500.00 each. A motion to write a \$9,000.00 check for seed money for the event was made by Junior Deacon Davis. The motion was seconded by Junior Warden Callahan and passed by unanimous vote (show of hands). JD Davis advised Brothers who intended to work the event for the first time this year should contact him with their shirt size so he can place the order for Event Staff Shirts.

Most Worshipful Aydelotte reported on the progress of planning for the car show. He stated they were where they need to be at this time, but would be needing additional help in the areas of registration and parking.

_Worshipful Brother Lovenguth suggested reaching out to the Grand Staff for assistance with the event.

Ladies Night: SW Arnold reported that this year's Ladies Night would be May 18th, the weekend after Mother's Day. He stated Bethany Blues would be catering the event.

Sick and Distressed: Brother Lovenguth reported that PGM Rosenberry was in good spirits but was currently undergoing additional procedures. He asked that the Brothers keep him in their prayers.

Worshipful Brother Parsons stated the daughter of Worshipful Brother Jim Coulbourne had recently undergone a surgical procedure and was recovering at home. He asked if a card could be sent to her via Brother Coulbourne and a card was passed around the lodge for signature of all present.

JW Callahan stated he would keep the lodge informed of when John Lehne's Celebration of Life would be conducted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS (cont.): _____

_Almoner's Fund: WB Drummond reported that that the new SOP for the Almoners Fund had been drafted and only three changes had been made. He read the revised SOP into the record. WB Warrington advised the changes would have to be read into the record at two consecutive meetings before they could be voted on for inclusion into the new revised edition of the Endeavor Lodge By-Laws. The first reading was accepted by unanimous vote and the matter will move forward to the By-Laws Committee.

Proficiency: Brother Brian Reynolds advised FC Jaime Riddle had passed off his catechism and would be awaiting scheduling of the Shield and Square Degree Team for the Master Mason Degree.

___Communications: SW Arnold reported that Brother Dave Johns parents are ill and he would be travelling to Noth Carolina at any time. He stated Brother John had expressed a desire to be relieved of the responsibility of maintaining the Lodge website.

OLD BUSINESS: _____

_Most Worshipful Brother Aydelotte informed the Lodge that the Annual Trip to Garibaldi Lodge in Manhattan, NYC would take place on 4/19/2024. Members who are interested are to contact MW Aydelotte so transportation can be arranged.

_Worshipful Brother Lovenguth inquired as to whether there were plans for the Lodge to hold a Brother Bring a Friend Night at any time in the near future. The matter was tabled for further discussion.

NEW BUSINESS:

_None

There being no further business to come before the Lodge, the Lodge was closed by _MW Richard Aydelotte PGM of Masons in DE in due/ample form on the **3rd Degree** of Masonry at 8:49 **p.m.**, peace and harmony prevailing.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Roger A Willey

Secretary,

ENDEAVOR LODGE #17 A.F. & A.M.