

March 20, 2013 Minutes
Meeting of the Otsego-Schoharie & Delaware
Masonic Charities, Inc.

Called to order at 7:00 pm by President William Morley

Opening Prayer was offered by Roy Bilby, DDGM

Pledge of Alligience to the Flag was given

Roll call of members present: Fred G. Hicken, Bruce Van Buren, Rick Scheiner, Roy Bilby, Alex Brannan, Bill Mason, Richard Sherman, Jeremy Sherman, Bill Morley, Julian Wilcox, Jim Rickard, and Ken Sokolowski.

Minutes from the 20 February 2013 were previously distributed via e-mail.

No Treasurer's report.

Old Business

- Committee consisting of (Bruce Van Buren, Bill Mason, Fred Hickein, and Rick Scheiner) is working toward registering 501(c)(3). Bruce has a binder with the IRS documents to review and complete. Dominic Parloto, Oneonta Lodge treasurer, has experience submitting.
- Access information to the By-Laws were sent to the membership and have been through several minor revisions (attached).
 - Jim Rickard commented that the group is moving in the right direction.
 - Jim Rickard moved that we accept the revised by-laws with the stipulation that the number of directors may change after review by legal council. Rick Scheiner seconded the motion. It was passed unanonomously.
 - Bruce Van Buren will send final version to Bill Mason who will submit to New York Department of State.

New Business

- The Nominating Committee, Julian Wilcox, William Mason, and Fred Hickein consulted and reported the following nominations for the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year.
 - President: William Mason
 - Vice President: Richard S. Morley
 - Secretary: Fred G. Hickein
 - Treasurer: Alexander D. Brannan
- The nominations were accepted and no more nominations will be accepted.
- Insurance and licenses for the Murder Mystery Dinner were discussed.
- The Secretary will send a letter to the Treasurer stipulating that the President had demanded that the Treasurer needs to submit the books for auditing per Section 908 of the by-laws by April 3, 2013. He is to contact the President, Bill Morley, to work out the transfer.
- Next meeting: April 10, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the Oneonta Masonic Temple to elect officers.

Adjournment Prayer was offered by Rick Scheiner. Adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce L. Van Buren, Acting Secretary