

Joplin Valley Council Minutes
May 5, 2023
Table Rock Lodge #680
Kimberling City, Missouri

The meeting was called to order by the Valley Council Chairman Illustrious Brother James D. Hardy, 33° GC. In addition to the Chairman the following officers were present:

Acting Venerable Master:	Brother Daniel W. Stehly, 32° KCCH
Wise Master:	Ill. Brother Nicholas L. Breedlove, 33°
Commander:	Brother Charles A. Koonce, 32°
Master of Kadosh:	Brother Gregory J. Walker, 32° KCCH
Executive Secretary:	Ill. Brother James K. Gilbert, 33°

The Opening Prayer was given by Ill. Brother Gregory J. Walker, 32° KCCH
The Craft were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Ill. Brother, Kendall L. Pierce, 33°

A motion made by Brother Thomas D. Shaw, 32° KCCH to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2023 meeting as written was seconded by Brother, Kevin D. Bonebrake, 32° and carried by a vote of the Council. The Secretary, Ill. James K. Gilbert, 33°, declared that "the books are in balance, the Secretary and Treasure's receipts are accounted for, and, the Valley is solvent." He then presented the bills and moved that they be received. This motion was seconded by Brother Daniel W. Stehly, 32° KCCH and carried by the vote of the council.

Old Business: none

New Business: The Chairman deferred new business to the Lodge of Perfection meeting.

Upcoming Business: The Chairman deferred upcoming events to the Lodge of Perfection meeting.

Valley Chairman

Executive Secretary

Joplin Lodge of Perfection #5 Minutes
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The Joplin Lodge of Perfection meeting was opened in due form by and called to Labor by:

Acting Venerable Master: Brother Daniel W. Stehly, 32° KCCH
Wise Master: Ill. Brother Nicholas L. Breedlove, 33°
Commander: Brother Charles A. Koonce, 32°
Master of Kadosh: Brother Gregory J. Walker, 32° KCCH

A motion made by Brother Thomas D. Shaw, 32° KCCH to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2023 meeting as written was seconded by Brother Timothy L. Ritter, 32° and carried by a vote of the Lodge. A motion to pay the bills was made Brother Kevin M. Ritter, 32° KCCH. The motion was seconded by Ill. Brother David V. Collignon, 33° and carried by a vote of the Lodge.

Report of the Personal Representative:

Our Valley's Personal Representative, Ill. Brother James D. Hardy, 33° GC, with the assistance of our Chief Ambassador, Brother E. Lee Shelton, 32°, invited the following two Brothers to the front to receive their Scottish Rite Patents: Brother Raymond C. Province, 32° and Brother Paul A. Luce, 32°.

He then announced that of the ten candidates initiated into our Valley at the recent Spring Reunion that Brother Ukiah M. Camp, 32° KCCH had top lined signed three of them and that Brother Mark R. Johnsen, 32° had top lined two of them. He went on to declare how proud he was of both of our Brothers' zeal for the Scottish Rite. he concluded this portion of his report by summarizing the responsibilities that come with top line signing a candidate.

Ill. Brother Hardy concluded his report by describing the process our Valley uses in recommending Brothers for honors. He then reminded the Valley that at a future date our Sovereign Grand Inspector General, Ill. Brother Robert W. Cockerham, 33°, would inform the Personal Representatives of the outcome of the vote that will take place by he and the other members of our Supreme Council. Once he receives this communication he will inform the Valley Secretary and then the Valley's Honors announcement would be scheduled to take place at Sparta Lodge #296 in Sparta, Missouri.

Committee Reports:

Ambassadors: Brother E. Lee Shelton, 32° solicited from those attending the Lodge of Perfection meeting assistance in distributing Scottish Rite Patents to our newer members in their Blue Lodges assuming the various Worshipful Masters each give their consent.

100 Year Building Celebration: Ill. Brother Nicholas L. Breedlove, 33° gave a very detailed report with a slide presentation about the upcoming celebration of our cathedral's 100 years. He outlines the marketing we are utilizing to promote this historic event, the schedule for the weekend itself, which dignitaries have thus far returned their RSVPs, and specifically sited how much work and talent Brother Ryan Cockerham, 32° KCCH, has provided to document this process.

Education: Brother Christopher L. Story spoke about the history of our nation's Memorial Day celebration. He explained how its origins were rooted in the American Civil War and its aftermath.

Report of the Executive Secretary:

Our Valley's Executive Secretary, Ill. Brother James K. Gilbert, 33°, began his report by informing the Lodge that Brother Dorrance G. Haught, 32° sought to join our Valley by affiliation and moved that he be admitted. His motion was seconded by Ill. Brother David V. Collignon and carried by a vote of the Lodge. He then informed

the Lodge that Mr. David R. Esping had been suspended because he no longer was a master Mason. He concluded his report by informing the acting Venerable Master, Brother Daniel W. Stehly, 32° KCCH, that there were zero deaths to report.

Box of Fraternal Assistance:

Ill. Brother Dale Roller, 33° passed the box of fraternal assistance and collected \$42.00 for the Almoner's Fund.

After the box of fraternal assistance was passed and with no further business appearing, the Joplin Lodge of Perfection, Council of Kadosh, and Consistory were closed in due form and the Joplin Chapter Rose Croix was called to refreshment with peace and harmony prevailing.

Lodge of Perfection Venerable Master

Lodge of Perfection Secretary