Governor Oliver Wolcott, Sr.

Branch #10

The Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

Minutes of Branch Meeting at Bantam Borough Hall

Meeting Date & Time: 10:00am on Saturday, April 18th, 2026

Call to Order: Tim Hill – 10:00am

Invocation: Mike Bird

Pledge of Allegiance

SAR Pledge:

»We.descendants.of.the.heroes.of.the.American.Revolution.who?by.their.sacrifices?
established.the.United.States.of.America?reaffirm.our.faith.in.the.principles.of.Liberty.and.
our.Constitutional.Republic?and.solemnly.pledge.ourselves.to.defend.the.against.any.foe¡‹

Election of Branch Officers:

President – Tim Hill

Vice President – Mike Prange

Secretary – Matt Bradley

Treasurer – Peter Stothart

Branch Chaplain – Mike Bird

Historian – Martin Spring

Registrar – John Cox

In Attendance:

Tim Hill

Matt Bradley

Mike Brunetto

Mike Bird

Mike Prange

Bill Spring

John King

Peter Stothart

John Cox

Alan Tallmadge

Zach Tanner

Martin Spring

Approval of Previous Minutes: motions to accept by Tim Hill, second by Mike Prange

Recognition of New Members: N/A for today's meeting, but recognizing transfer Alan Tallmadge from the Atlanta branch.

Branch Awards: N/A for today's meeting

President's Report: Tim Hill

Today is the election of officers, and for the most part will remain the same. Mike Prange will be Vice President and Martin Spring will be our Historian.

Full events slate upcoming, and looking for increased participation. Color Guard meeting took place at J. Timothys, and more to follow with the Color Guard report.

Mike Bird motions to accept, second by Zachary Tanner

Treasurer's Report: Peter Stothart

Deposit of a $96.00 donation, along with credit interest brings our total to $7,188.36, after withdraws leaves our total to $6,859.76 before the Paul Everett and General fund.

Tim Hill motions to accept, second by Zach Tanner.

Registrar's Report: John Cox

Applicants are working through ancestry and familysearch to firm up their applications at this time.

Mike Bird motions to accept, seconded by Matt Bradley.

Color Guard Report: Martin Spring

5th Connecticut and 6th Connecticut drilled last weekend.

Annual Color Guard Meeting at J. Timothy's took place in February where several awards were given and future events were discussed. Tim and Martin hold new positions in the State Color Guard.

Mike Bird motions to vote Bill Spring as Branch Captain, seconded by Zach Tanner. Vote is unanimous and our Branch Color Guard Captain will be Bill Spring.

Mike Spring motions to vote Mike Brunetto as Branch Corporal, seconded by Zach Tanner. Vote is unanimous and Mike Brunetto will be our Branch Corporal.

Zach Tanner motions to accept, seconded by Mike Bird.

Historian's Report: Michael Prange

Events on Friday Jan 30th. Notification of recent membership reinstatement of a previous CTSSAR member.

Mike Bird motions to accept, seconded by Peter Stothart.

Old Business:

Parades – Naugatuck will be a state event (5/25/26). Our Branch event will be Litchfield parade (5/25/26). Line up is at 9:30am, Parade begins at 10:00am. Try to be there by 9:15am.

4/19/26 event in New Milford at noon, be there by 11:30am

5/22/26 event in Warren Elementary School at 9:30am, be there by 8:30am

5/24/26 event in Bantam at 10am, be there by 9am.

5/24/26 event in Warren at 10am, be there at 9:30am.

5/25/26 event in Litchfield for parade at 10am, be there at 9:15am.

Liberty Tree Planting at Oliver Wolcott House in Litchfield on 5/9/26 at 11am unofficially, exact time to be determined.

Reminder that 250th events gain points toward medals.

Proposed New Milford grave marking planning for the fall.

6/3/26 event in New Milford and Let Freedom Ring on Town Green. Last meeting John Cox made a motion to vote on providing a $250 check toward the plaque which was tabled. This motion is seconded today by Tim Hill. Vote is unanimous and donation will be provided.

6/4/26 events in Litchfield starting at 10am, including a 250th event honoring Oliver Wolcott. We are looking for monument cleaner volunteers.

6/14/26 flag day event, reminder to bring in flags to be retired.

6/27/26 event honoring Gen. Rochambeau and new statue in Middlebury.

Full and updated listing of upcoming events will be forthcoming.

New Business:

Gravemarking events and organizing support needed.

Support needed for summertime events.

Waterbury event published in newspaper.

SAR display in New Milford Library for the month of March, including information on membership.

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Benediction: Mike Bird

Meeting Adjourned: Motion to adjourn, John Cox, seconded by Mike Bird at 11:22am.