

**23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Continental Line, Inc.**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**January 9, 2010**

Call to Order was made by Chairman George Radecky ~ 6<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Regiment

Tim Mitchell, 6<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Regiment led the group in prayer.

Anne Henninger, 1<sup>st</sup> Maryland Regiment led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call made by Adjutant Sam Ricco ~ Proctor's PA Artillery Regiment, with 55 member organizations present.

Motion made & seconded to accept the Minutes from the 22nd Annual Meeting. Vote to accept, unanimous.

The financial report was given from Treasurer Janie Ritchie ~ of the United Train of Artillery and 1st New Hampshire Regiment. (see **Appendix B**). Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Vote to accept, unanimous.

Northern Department New Coordinator was introduced, Al Soucey ~ 13th Continental Regiment by George Radecky.

Department breakout meetings then took place with British Brigade unit commanders in each meeting.

Joint National Event Presentations by CL and BB in ballroom. 2010 events were presented at Fort George, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada (July 31st- August 1st) and Brandywine Creek State Park, DE (September 25-26). 2011 events were discussed at Gelston Castle, Warren, NY (June 4-5) and Wyoming Valley Massacre, Scranton, PA (July 9-10). Votes to accept all proposed events were accepted by both Continental Line and British Brigade. A break was called by George Radecky.

Joint National Event Presentations continued after break. George Radecky stated a revote would occur for all National events for both 2010 and 2011. The 2010 event at Brandywine Creek State Park, DE (September 25-26) and the 2011 event at Mount Harmon Plantation, Earleville, MD (September 24-25) were then presented.

2010 events were then voted on by poll. Fort George and Brandywine Creek State Park both passed by a majority by the Continental Line and British Brigade.

2011 events were then voted on by poll. Gelston Castle did not pass as a full Continental Line event but did pass by the British Brigade. Wyoming Valley Massacre and Mount Harmon Plantation passed with a majority by both Continental Line and British Brigade.

Henry Cook spoke briefly as a representative of the Brigade of the American Revolution. He talked about three umbrella's possibly working in the future in New York State Parks.

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2012 - Possible events at Battle of Oriskany, NY; Prescott, Ontario and Hudson Valley Campaign, NY.

Continental Line newsletter was brought up by George Radecky as to why it has not been active. It was stated that the previous editor had resigned and no one had taken over the role. Anne Henninger agreed to coordinate the newsletter.

*Department Coordinator Reports* were then presented:

- Northern Department Report: Al Soucey ~ 13th Continental Regiment
- Mid-Atlantic Department Report: Matt Murphy ~ 2nd New Jersey Regiment
- Southern Department Report: Anne Henninger ~ 1st Maryland Regiment

*Election of Officers*

Anne Henninger spoke about the Southern Department and their search for a new Chairman of the Line over the last year. They had four nominations for this position. She presented Chip Gnam as the Southern Department's nomination for Chairman of the Continental Line.

Chip Gnam ~ 1<sup>st</sup> Virginia Regiment spoke about his beginnings of the Continental Line and his ways to improve communication between the organization. He said that he looked forward to working with everyone for the next two years.

**New Business**

*New Units*

Applicant: Rowell's Company. Sponsor: 2nd New Hampshire Regiment, Cherry's Company.

Al Soucey tabled this unit until next year for lack of insurance paperwork.

Applicant: 3rd Middlesex Regiment, Lincoln Minutemen. Sponsor: Regiment de Saintonge.

A motion to accept the 3rd Middlesex Regiment, Lincoln Minutemen as a Full Member was made, and seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Applicant: 4th Massachusetts Regiment. Sponsor: 1st New Hampshire Regiment.

A motion to accept the 4th Massachusetts Regiment as a Full Member was made, and seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

George Radecky spoke about voting new units and the chairman into the Continental Line. He stated that we do not need to bog the process down any further, if the department voted for a new unit to the Continental Line or if it was their turn for Chairman (i.e. Southern Department for 2010) then Full Line voting during the annual meeting is a formality.

Applicant: Spanish Louisiana Regiment. Sponsor: 1st Virginia Regiment.

During the discussion, it was brought up that this unit does own a cannon. This unit will be brought in as infantry only.

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Jim Garner ~ 1<sup>st</sup> Virginia Regiment talked about how George Radecky now joins an exclusive group of the past chairman of the organization.

Brad Chetwynd ~ 2nd Massachusetts Regiment then spoke about the history of the Continental Line.

George Radecky thanked all for their support during his tenure as Chairman of the Continental Line. He discussed the accomplishments of the past few years which included his major goal of getting a joint British Brigade and Continental Line meeting. He remarked on the strength of the Line and that the hobby is doing nothing but growing.

**Old Business**

No Old Business was discussed.

George Radecky spoke about how the departments should start thinking about the next chairman at least a year before their turn of electing the chairman. This is to ease transition between chairman and that they can be included earlier in all board discussions and meetings.

Motion to adjourn the 23rd Annual Meeting of the Continental Line was made & seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sam Ricco  
Adjutant  
The Continental Line, Inc.

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## MEETING AGENDA • JANUARY 9, 2010

- 8:00 to 8:30 Registration and selling raffle tickets
- 8:30 to 9:15 Call to Order  
Opening Prayer  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Treasurers Report  
2009 Minutes
- 9:15 to 10:15 Breakout for Department Meetings with both BB and CL members
- 10:15 to 11:30 National Event Presentations  
Northern  
MidAtlantic  
Southern
- 11:30 to 12:00 Committee Reports
- 12:00 to 12:30 Election of CL Officers
- 12:30 to 1:30 CL and BB Executive Boards working Lunch
- 12:30 to 1:30 Lunch for members
- 1:30 to 2:30 New Business , Old Business, Memberships new and permanent
- 2:30 to 3:00 Any Loose Ends and Raffle
- 3:00 Go Home Safely

Thank you for attending,  
*George*  
George A. Radecsky

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**The Continental Line - Treasurer's Report – Jan. 9, 2010**

**Includes Transactions through 1/5/10**

**1. Beginning Balance(s)**

Beginning Balance 12/31/2008 **\$20,411.42**

**2. Income**

Final Annual Meeting Registration money 2009	\$950.00
Donations made at 2009 annual meeting	\$450.00
2ND MA -200.00 & 2ND PA 250.00	
Raffle proceeds - 2009 annual meeting	\$1,041.00
T-shirts proceeds donated by 1 <sup>st</sup> VA at 2009 annual meeting	\$40.00
Unused CL money from Jerusalem Mills event	\$851.00
Continental Line T-Shirts	\$1,768.00
Registration money - 2010 meeting	\$6,800.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$11,900.00</b>

**3. Expenses**

Hotel expenses Annual Meeting 2009	\$6,011.00
Website Hosting Charges	\$107.40
BOD Liability Insurance 2010	\$649.00
Donation to 1st New Jersey (Jerusalem Mills event)	\$1,000.00
Continental Line T-Shirts	\$1,681.47
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$9,448.87</b>

**4. Ending Balances**

Bank Account 1/05/10	\$22,862.55
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$22,862.55</b>

*NOTE: Above numbers do not include the following:*

\* Cost of 1/9/2010 Annual Meeting