# Essex Lodge No. 7, F. & A. M. Minutes of October 15, 2024

The lodge was open at 7:30PM by the Worshipful Master.

#### Officers:

WM: Michael Goldrick
SW: Sean Goldrick
JW: Kyle Avantagiato

7. SEC: Joel Finnerty

9. SD: Andre Mossop

11. JD: Anthony Bochino

13. SMC: Ryan Machovsky

There were 20 master masons in attendance.

2. JMC: James Esposito

4. SS: Gerry Madjarov

6. JS: Lous Gomez8. Mar: Danial Joy

10. Chap: Robert Krimmel

12. Tres: Lewis Wefferling

14. Tyler: Matt Simonetti

## New Warrants Read:

NUMBER	NAMES	AMOUNT	NOMENCLATURE	DATE
9339	NJ P Masters Ass.	\$750.00	Candidates Night	10/4/2024
9343	Macoy Publish	333.00	Apron & Case	10/4/2024
9340	Russillo's	2201.00	Meals	10/4/2024
9341	VP Charity	2500.00	NC Relief Fund	10/7/2024

The minutes from October 1st 2024, were accepted as written by the brethren.

#### **Lodge Business**

- ❖ A secret ballot was conducted for Brother Joseph Pretto to return to the roster, resulting in a favorable return.
- ❖ A secret ballot was conducted for Brother Matthew Dancy to return to the roster, resulting in a favorable return
- ❖ A secret ballot was had for Brother Nicholas Gagis for dual membership into Essex Lodge 7 (of Mosaic Lodge 194), resulted in a favorable return.
- ❖ A motion was made and 2<sup>nd</sup> to make a charitable donation to the VP relief effort to the brothers and their families living around the Pisgah Mountain Region of North Carolina and Tennessee. The amount of \$2500 was approved.
- ❖ A discussion was had on the Halloween Haunted Halls Event on October 29<sup>th</sup>. A motion passed in which a budget was set for the amount of \$1300 total for this event.
- ❖ Nominations for the 2025 Officers Lineup at Essex Lodge 7 were read to brethren.
  - W. Master: Brother Sean Goldrick.
  - S. Warden: Brother Dennis P. Uhlmann.
  - ➤ J. Warden: Brother Andre Mossop.
  - > Secretary: W Brother Donald McGee.
  - ➤ Treasurer: W. Brother Lewis Wefferling.
  - Proxy to Grand Lodge: Brother Ryan Machovsky.
  - > 3 Year Term Trustee Positions: Jason Eberhart and Micheal Goldrick.
  - ➤ 2 Year Trustee (Alternate for B. Dennis Uhlmann): W. Brother James Doyle.
    - All nominees were verified to serve the respective positions.
  - > 35 Master masons were marked for Non-Payment of Dues.

## **External Events**

❖ A food and supply drive were held for the struggling brothers of North Carolina and Tennessee affected by the recent hurricane. The relief efforts extended from October 1<sup>st</sup> to the 12<sup>th</sup> and were

- sanctioned by VP Charity, Hopatcong, NJ. The delivery was performed by RW B. Robert Bolcar of Essex Lodge and B. Ryan Astor and B. Alejandro Dieguez from Copestone Lodge.
- ❖ A discussion was had regarding the October 29<sup>th</sup> DLI event to be held at Nutley Lodge. As there is a conflict with the North Jersey Past Masters Candidates Night held at the Hanover Manor, no DLI will be scheduled at this date. More information to come regarding a makeup session.
- ❖ The grand lodge communication opens at 9am on November Nov 6<sup>th</sup>. The installation of the new Grand Staff will take place on Nov 7th. Elections will open and close some in that interval. Essex lodge will cover 50% of the room cost for all white apron brothers. PMs, WMs and Wardens will be covered. Please summit receipts to the secretary for reimbursement.
- ❖ The annual Black Tie Diner will be held on Nov 15 at Essex Lodge, Smull Building.

The lodge was closed in due form at 9:40 by the 8th District, Past Deputy Grand Master.