

HALL OF WASHINGTON LODGE No. 20, F. & A. M.
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Stated Meeting

November 02, 2023

The Stated Meeting was opened at 07:29 PM with the Master presiding and other Officers and Brethren present as shown in the Tiler's Register.

Officers

Mauro Lara	Worshipful Master	William Workman	Senior Deacon
Matthew Mason	Senior Warden	Brandon Jenkins	Junior Deacon
Joseph Wallach	Junior Warden	Christopher Hamilton	Marshal
Eric Hixson, PM	Treasurer	Patrick Fischer	Senior Steward
Francisco Marques, PM	Secretary	Not Present	Junior Steward
Richard Wilson, PM	Chaplain	Not Present	Organist
Not Present	Assistant Secretary	Martin Buff	Tiler

Brother **Alexis Baloji** served as Junior Steward, while the chairs of Assistant Secretary and Organist, remained vacant for the meeting.

The Master, Worshipful **Mauro Lara**, invited all Masters and Past Masters to seats in the East. then led the Lodge in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country.

Reading of the Minutes

The minutes of the October 5th, 2023 Stated Meeting were read and approved by the lodge.

Reports of Investigating Committees None.

Balloting None.

Reception of Applications None.

Miscellaneous and Unfinished Business

(a) Reports of Special Committees:

The Coaches Worshipful **Francisco Marques, PM**, Brother **Brandon Jenkins**, and Brother **Patrick Fischer** reported updates on their Candidates.

(b) Bills and Communications:

Worshipful **Eric Hixson, PM**, gave the monthly report of bills for **November 2023** in the amount of **\$2,741.40**. Audited by the Senior Warden, Brother **Matthew Mason**, and the Junior Warden, Brother **Joseph Wallach**. Worshipful **Eric Hixson, PM**, moved that the bills be paid. Seconded by Worshipful **David Cameron (PM)** and approved by the Lodge.

Worshipful **Francisco Marques, PM**, announced that the new Per Capita of \$65.50 was approved by Grand Lodge on 10/29/2023 which brings our 2024 Annual Dues to \$95.50. Payment is due by 12/31/2023. Members can pay via cash or personal check, or online at WLN20.ORG or FREEMASON.ORG (iMember).

(c) New Business:

Brother **Matthew Mason** moved that the Lodge forward \$162.00 (one hundred sixty-two dollars) to the Ben Ali Shrine. The monies had been collected at the 10/05/2023 dinner prior to the Stated Meeting. Seconded by Brother **Joseph Wallach** and approved by the Lodge.

Brother **Matthew Mason** moved that the Lodge pay him \$4,000.00 (four thousand dollars) to cover for Installation Expenses. Monies not used will be returned to the Lodge. Seconded by Worshipful **Eric Hixson, PM**, and approved by the Lodge.

The Master, Worshipful **Mauro Lara**, announced the commencement of the Annual Election of Officers for the ensuing Masonic Year.

The following members were elected to serve as Officers for the ensuing Masonic Year:

Master-Elect:	Brother Matthew Mason
Senior Warden-Elect:	Brother Joseph Wallach
Junior Warden-Elect:	Brother William Workman
Treasurer (Re-Elected):	Worshipful Eric Hixson, PM
Secretary (Re-Elected):	Worshipful Francisco Marques, PM

The following members were elected to serve as Delegates at the Annual Board Meeting of the Masonic Temple Association of Sacramento scheduled for Monday, March 18th, 2024:

Brother **Matthew Mason**
Brother **Joseph Wallach**
Brother **William Workman**
Brother **Brandon Jenkins**
Brother **Kevin Hall**
Brother **Patrick Fischer**
Worshipful **Francisco Marques, PM**

The following members were elected to serve as Directors on the Masonic Lawn Association of Sacramento:

Brother **Dallas Calmes**
Brother **Kevin Hall**

The Master-Elect, Brother **Matthew Mason**, presented the roster of appointed Officers:

Chaplain:	Brother Ramey Packer
Senior Deacon:	Brother Brandon Jenkins
Junior Deacon:	Brother Kevin Hall
Marshal:	Brother Christopher Hamilton

Senior Steward: Brother **Patrick Fischer**
Junior Steward: Brother **Nicholas Johnston** (Appointed at a later date.)
Tiler: Brother **Martin Buff**
Organist: Brother **James Dimmitt**

Brothers **Brandon Jenkins**, **Carlos Brusel-Casals**, and **Kevin Hall** served as Tellers.

Sacred Roll

None.

Oration

Brother **Brandon Jenkins** gave a talk on the upcoming Ladies' Night theme, the **Beehive**, an important symbol in Freemasonry. As an apiarist himself, Brother Jenkins explored the behavior of honeybees, the life in a beehive, how the colony works together and functions as a whole, and its similarities with a Masonic Lodge. "Every bee has a role. They start small, don't know where they are, it's dark inside the hive, but their roles evolve with age and experience, just like lodge members who attend meetings and functions, join committees or the line of Officers."

The Master announced the upcoming events:

Annual Ladies' Night on Saturday, November 4th at 06:00 PM

Funeral Service for Worshipful **William Marrison, PM**, on Wednesday, November 8th at 10:00 AM

Annual Installation of Officers on Sunday, December 17th at 02:00 PM

Worshipful **Luis Montero, PM**, requested a meeting with the Executive Committee after the Stated Meeting.

Worshipful **David Cameron, PM**, addressed the Lodge and offered relevant advice to Coaches and Candidates; he also urged the Officers and Lodge Members to attend the Masonic Funeral of Worshipful **William Marrison, PM**, scheduled for 10:00 AM on Wednesday, 11/08/2023, at East Lawn Memorial Park in Elk Grove.

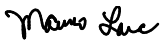
Brother **Patrick Fischer** reported cash donations collected at dinner in the amount of **\$200.00** (two hundred dollars).

The Stated Meeting was closed at 08:33 PM. Dinner was served before the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Francisco Marques . . .

Francisco Marques, PM
Secretary


Mauro Lara (Dec 14, 2023 12:39 PST)

Mauro Lara
Master









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