

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

SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Stated Meeting

November 07, 2024

The Stated Meeting was opened at 7:51 PM with the Master presiding and other Officers and Brethren present as shown in the] Tiler's Register.

Officers

Matthew Mason	Worshipful Master	Brandon Jenkins	Senior Deacon
Joseph Wallach	Senior Warden	Kevin Hall	Junior Deacon
William Workman	Junior Warden	Christopher Hamilton	Marshal
Eric Hixson, PM	Treasurer	Nicholas Johnston	Senior Steward
Francisco Marques, PM	Secretary	Not Present	Junior Steward
Not Present	Chaplain	James Dimmitt	Organist
		Martin Buff	Tiler

Worshipful **Richard Wilson, PM**, served as Chaplain.

The Master 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 3rd, 2024 Stated Meeting were read and approved by the Lodge.

Reports of Investigating Committees

None.

Balloting

None

Reception of Applications

None

Miscellaneous and Unfinished Business

The Master, Worshipful **Matthew Mason**, reviewed the details of the \$16,000.00 loan request from the **Sacramento York Rite Bodies** as set forth in a letter signed by Worshipful **Joseph Dongo, PM**, dated August 22, 2024, addressed to **Washington Lodge No. 20**.

A discussion regarding the proposed loan followed the Master's presentation and Lodge members deliberated over various aspects of the loan request, including the proposed repayment term of 10 years, the proposed interest rate of not to exceed 4% with annual payments each February 1st, the proposed collateral of six (6) shares of building ownership, and whether an additional guaranty

from the Sacramento York Rite Bodies, more specifically from the actual borrowers: **Chapter No. 3 of Royal Arch Masons**, and **Commandery No. 2 of Knights Templar**, should be required.

The Executive Committee of this Lodge recognized that, if the terms and conditions proposed by the Sacramento York Rite Bodies are accepted, there is no benefit for Washington Lodge No. 20 to provide this loan. No motions were made.

(a) New Business:

The Master, Worshipful **Matthew Mason**, recapitulated the actions taken at the 175th Annual Communication regarding Legislation: twelve (12) Grand Master's Recommendations, three (03) 2023 Carry-Over Legislation, and one (01) 2024 Resolution.

The Secretary, Worshipful **Francisco Marques, PM**, talked about Resolution 23-01 which was approved at the 175th Annual Communication in October 2024, and moved that the Lodge adopt a standing resolution allowing the Lodge Secretary to provide electronically minutes of meetings of the Lodge to the email address of record for each Mason of the Lodge at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the date and time of the Stated Meeting during which the applicable minutes will be approved and presented to the Master for his signature. Seconded by Brother **Nicholas Johnston** and approved by the Lodge.

(b) Annual Election of Officers:

The Master, Worshipful **Matthew Mason**, 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 Joseph Wallach
Senior Warden-Elect:	Brother William Workman
Junior Warden-Elect:	Brother Brandon Jenkins
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 17th, 2025:

Brother **Joseph Wallach**
Brother **William Workman**
Brother **Brandon Jenkins**
Brother **Kevin Hall**
Brother **Nicholas Johnston**
Brother **Maury Hicks**
Worshipful **Francisco Marques, PM**

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

Worshipful **David Cameron, PM**
Brother **Kevin Hall**

The Master-Elect, Brother **Joseph Wallach**, presented the roster of **Appointed Officers** for the ensuing Masonic Year:

Chaplain:	Brother Ramey Packer
Senior Deacon:	Brother Kevin Hall
Junior Deacon:	Brother Nicholas Johnston
Marshal:	Brother Christopher Hamilton
Senior Steward:	Brother Maury Hicks
Junior Steward:	Vacant
Tiler:	Brother Martin Buff
Organist:	Brother James Dimmitt

Worshipful **Joseph Dongo, PM**, and Brothers **Nicholas Johnston** and **Kevin Hall** served as Tellers.

(c) Reports of Special Committees: None.

(d) Bills and Communications:

The Treasurer, Worshipful **Eric Hixson, PM**, gave the monthly report of bills for **November 2024** in the amount of **\$5,530.26**, audited by the Senior Warden, Brother **Joseph Wallach** and the Junior Warden, Brother **William Workman**, and moved that the bills be paid.
Seconded by Brother **William Workman** and approved by the lodge.

Oration

None

Sacred Roll

The Secretary, Worshipful **Francisco Marques, PM**, read the Sacred Roll *in memoriam* of Worshipful Brother **John Knox**, Past Master 4141, who entered into Rest on October 08, 2024, at the age of 87 years, 09 months, and 02 days.

The Senior Warden-Elect, Brother **William Workman**, thanked the Lodge for sending him to the Annual Communication, a very important milestone in his Masonic Life.

The Senior Steward, Brother **Nicholas Johnston**, reported cash donation received during dinner in the amount of **\$130.00** and gave the monies to the Secretary.

The Stated Meeting was closed at 9:25 PM.

Dinner was served in the Banquet Room before the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Francisco Marques, PM
Secretary

Matthew Mason
Master