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**PREPARATION FOR WINDSOR:** Our meeting of Oct 3 was almost entirely about Windsor. We're now looking at 425-475 reenactors and however many spectators a major publicity campaign pulls in. Note that we'll expect everyone available to attend final workday at 1:00 PM on Sunday, Oct 14 (plus progress meeting & drill). We locals will be slaving away all week, too.

**PERSONNEL UPDATE:** CONGRATS to our two latest veterans, John Sherrer & John Kinsey. We now have 15 in Veteran status.

**MEETING SCHEDULE:** WORKDAYS: Sunday, October 7th & Sunday, October 14th, Noon, at the Lynde farm (battle site), just west of Windsor on MO 2. Bring your gun for drill on the 14th, too. If you'll be available the week of Oct 15-18, let us know, especially if you can help with registration on Friday, Oct 19th.

FIFTH MISSOURI INFANTRY, COMPANY A (CSA)  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD October 3, 1990

A special meeting was called to order at the IOOF Hall in Windsor by President Charlie Riggs at 7:10 PM. Those attending included 7 veterans, 5 recruits & 5 non-combatants. Guests present were Mike Parks & Mark Moser of the Windsor Chamber of Commerce and Kevin Galloway & George Shepard of the Windsor IOOF. Potential recruits present were Chuck Thomas, Mary Ellen Rowe, & Mel Kisner.

The meeting was preceded by a short drill session.

Recruits John Kinsey & John Sherrer, having met the requirements of the By-laws and recommended by their sponsors, were accepted as Veterans.

The minutes & treasurer's reports were accepted. Our bank balance is \$49.02, of which \$16 is owed to MCWRA. The wall tent arrived on Oct 3.

The event schedule was discussed. For Belleville, we have 5 firm. Commitments are needed for Prairie Grove by November 1st.

Windsor event update: This was the primary purpose of the meeting. See the special update sheet attached.

The Election of Officers scheduled for November will be held on Sunday morning BEFORE Church at the Windsor event, Oct 21st.

The first workday for the Windsor event will be 1:00 PM Sunday, Oct 7. Meet at Ronnie's. A meeting & workday will be held Sunday, Oct 14, 1:00 PM at the Lynde Farm just west of Windsor on MO 2. Bring your musket for a firing drill session.

"KOFFMAN'S LAST STAND" - A Poem by George Bailman  
(in remembrance of the fallen at St Charles)

At the city of St Charles, is where this terrible tale began.  
Veterans of the Fighting Fifth  
were there to make a stand.

The men were proud and confident, we did not know defeat;  
We knew all our maneuvers,  
We could do them in our sleep.

We practiced on the drill pad for the task we had at hand -  
Beside those rebel cannon  
The Fifth would make its stand.

We marched in line of battle, then stood breast to breast;  
In the spirit of Frank Cockrell  
Old Bob had trained the best!

As we waited at the ready our leader stood there like an oak,  
But at the sight of Yankee horsemen  
Our fearless Captain choked!

"The cavalry's a'coming," Bill said to Captain Bob.  
In just a couple of seconds  
We were surrounded by a mob.

The Yanks rode off to reload, the Fifth was on the ground;  
The Mighty Fifth was shot to hell  
and hadn't fired a round.

No one who stood upon that field will forget until his last,  
Those resounding words from Captain Bob:  
"Boy, are those horses fast!"

WINDSOR MISSOURI REENACTMENT -STATUS AS OF OCT 3, 1990

I. Fundraising:

1. Amount raised to date/vs estimated need: CHAMBER REPORTS THEY SEE NO PROBLEM FOR FOOD, POWDER, ETC. NO EXTRA FOR SUBSTANTIAL NICE-TO-HAVE.
2. Plan sale items such as T-shirts, etc. SELL AT REG. BOOTH FRI, SAT AT CHAMBER BOOTH.
5. Plan concessions, sell rights or agree to share of take. CHAMBER HAS IN HAND.
6. List of Sponsors: CHAMBER NEED TO GIVE LIST TO 5TH MO SO CAN ASSIGN SPONSORS TO COMPANY.

II. Site acquisition

1. Agreement negotiating status: AGREED.
2. Insurance obtained: MCMRA coverage. MIKE PARKS WILL SEE GEORGE FOR CONTACT TO ADD LYNDE TO POLICY
3. Traffic control arranged: DAVE K. OBTAINED COMMITMENT FROM SCOUTS. CHAMBER WILL OBTAIN ADULT VOLUNTEERS TO DO OVERALL CONTROL.
4. Site plan for battle/camps/parking prepared: AGREED. SEE MAP
5. Emergency medical service arranged (standby ambulance): CITY AMBULANCE ON STAND BY. LARRY S REPORTED HENRY CTY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WANTS TO HELP FREE BUT NO UPDATE.
6. Visitor parking/access/transportation arranged. AREAS ON MAP. NEED HANDICAP PROVISIONS, FOUL WEATHER PLAN.

III. Commissary. CHARLIE RIGGS PROVIDE MENU.

1. Plan menus for 5 meals
  - A. Sat breakfast. DONATION Windsor betterment assn. MENU: BACON/EGGS/TATERS/ONION/BREAD/MILK/COFFEE.
  - B. Sat lunch. ISSUE CHILI INGREDIENTS
  - C. Sat dinner. IDOF PREPARE HAM OR BRISKET, SLAW, TATER SALAD
  - D. Sun breakfast. ISSUE SAME AS SAT BREAKFAST.
  - E. Sun lunch. HAM DONATE BY CHARLIE, TODD, WISHART'S MKT (+CUT) BREAD BY VENDOR.
2. Estimate purchase requirements: CURRENT EST IS OVER 400 REENACTORS. 5TH TO GIVE HARD ESTIMATE ON 10/8.

IV. On-Site Amenities

1. Firm commitment for water buffaloes. JOHN S. HAS 2 GREEN TANKS. PLAN ON FILL FRI, TWICE SAT.
2. Firm commitment for Porta-johns: CITY TO RENT 10. PROB ARISEN ON PUMPING. LOOKING INTO OTHER SOURCE.
3. Obtain hay. 126 BALES IN BARN.
4. Obtain straw. STILL LOOKING FREE SOURCE, BUT ORONNIE RPTS HAROLD EBELING HAS @ \$1. AGREED WE NEED 150 BALES APPROX. (bet this is low!)
5. Obtain firewood. RONNIE WILL PROVIDE, PLUS POTENTIAL OTHER SOURCE. PRIMARY WORK FOR 10/7.
6. Obtain horse feed. DONATE WINDSOR CO-OP. 100 HORSE EST.
7. Obtain watering troughs. LINED UP, POND IS OK.
8. Obtain viewing stands. MARK WORK THRU WACO.
9. Obtain trash & recycling barrels. OPEN

V. Site preparation: GENERAL LAYOUT ON MAP.

1. Locate & layout all camps. PLANNED.
2. " " parking areas PLANNED.
3. " " access roads. PLANNED. SEVERE LIMITATION! FORESEE TRAFFIC JAMS.
4. " " battle fields. PLANNED.
5. " " visitor/spectator control points. PLANNED.
6. " & place sanitary facilities. WORKING
7. " " Registration booth. NEW TENT
8. " " Informational signs. SIGN LIST PROVIDED. C OF C WILL ARRANGE FOR PREPARATION.
9. " Non-authentic concession area. AGREED.
10. Arrange mowing of camps, spectator area, parking. LARRY S, & WINDSOR VOLUNTEERS BEFORE 10/12.
11. Arrange transport for delivering raw foodstuffs, horse feed, etc. to Quartermaster & by Quartermaster to units. OPEN

VI. Printing:

1. Identifying buttons for sponsors. CHAMBER WORKING BUTTONS.
2. Souvenir programs BREYER PRINT HANDLE; AD BASIS.
3. parking permits OPEN. NEED RED DOTS OR SOMETHING.
4. Pre-registration list for issuing food, chances in drawing, etc. BILL HAS FORMS FOR LIST, CHAMBER HAS TICKETS.
5. Posters for town: POSTERS PRINTED

VII. Plan prepared meal. ACCOMPLISHED IDOF.

VIII. Plan scenario & activities

1. Obtain Commanders: COMPLETE.
2. General plan for battle scenarios. DEVELOPED
3. Plan other activities, such as displays, scenarios, nite fire, etc. IN PROGRESS

IX. Publicity: SANDRA & KIRK ON SCHEDULE. ISSUED TO ABOUT 50 PAPERS IN WESTERN MO, PLUS LOCAL DAILIES & RADIO. BILL SCHED FOR LIVE INTERVIEWS KOKD, KOKO. PRESS PASS SYSTEM SET

X. Final Site activities

1. Place water, wood, porta-johns, straw, hay.
2. Arrange manning for registration booth. TODD/KATHY IN CHARGE. OTHER VOLUNTEERS TO HELP.
3. Plan site cleanup after event.

XI. Set Up Workdays: OCTOBER 7 & 14 (SUNDAYS)

XII. Other activities:

1. Dance: David suggested period band out of Kansas. Problems with site, \$300 cost.
2. Video: Hayfoot video offers arrangement, they tape & sell for \$30, after 1st 100, we get cut. Ronnie working.
3. Narration by Sonny Wells. Will cost \$35 for equipment rental. Chamber must decide, but 5th recommends.