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ROSTER AND BY-LAWS

ESTABLISHED U.D. OCT. 2, 1967
CONSTITUTED DEC. 18, 1967

STATED MEETINGS 2ND MONDAY 7:30 P.M.
SPECIAL MEETINGS ALL OTHER MONDAYS

125 STATE STREET, P. O. BOX 1397
GARLAND, TEXAS 75040

HISTORY

Duck Creek Lodge was formed as the result of a meeting of the Long Range Planning Committee of Garland Lodge No. 441 on December 10, 1966.

Letters were mailed to 727 Master Masons in the Garland area, who held membership in Lodges other than Garland Lodge No. 441, informing them of a meeting to be held to discuss forming a new Lodge.

On April 24, 1967, a meeting was held with approximately 100 Master Masons present.

The following Brethren were nominated as officers:

Jack D. Patterson, Worshipful Master
Benny H. Farmer, Senior Warden
William W. Furnell, Jr., Junior Warden
James D. Smith, Treasurer
Paul Tiemann, Secretary

The name of Duck Creek was chosen because it was the original name of Garland Lodge which was first chartered June 7, 1875.

In July, 1967, Paul Tiemann moved to Arkansas and Herbert D. Cook was elected to fill the vacancy as Secretary.

During the month of May, 1967 all 44 Lodges in Dallas County were visited and a letter was read stating the intention to form a new Lodge in Garland. The following month these Lodges were again visited during the balloting on the letter to allow Duck Creek Lodge to be formed in Garland. All 44 Lodges recorded a favorable vote.

Also, during this time, an intensive campaign took place to contact personally those Master Masons who lived in this area but held memberships in other areas or in other states.



Proper petition, with required fee and supporting documents, having been presented to the Grand Master, dispensation was granted on September 29, 1967, to form a new Lodge at Garland, Dallas County, Texas, to be known as Duck Creek Lodge. The Lodge was duly set to work on October 2, 1967, by Most Worshipful Grand Master J. D. Tomme, Jr., and assisted by the following Brethren:

B. T. Johnson, as Deputy Grand Master
Right Worshipful R. L. Dillard, Jr., P.G.M.,
as Grand Senior Warden
Right Worshipful Claud L. Austin, P.G.M.,
as Grand Junior Warden
Right Worshipful W. W. Boothe, P.G.M.,
as Grand Treasurer
Right Worshipful James M. Harwell, D.D.G.M.,
as Grand Secretary
Sam I. Smith, as Grand Chaplain
Harold A. Bateman, as Grand Orator
A. M. Cole, as Grand Marshal
Ocie Gibbs, as Grand Senior Deacon
Right Worshipful Neil W. Harris, D.D.G.M.,
as Grand Junior Deacon
Worshipful J. T. McReynolds, Grand Senior Steward
Robert L. Jones, as Grand Junior Steward
W. E. Peters, as Grand Pursuivant
Leonard P. Harvey, as Grand Tiler

The following Brethren were placed in charge of the Lodge:

Jack D. Patterson, Worshipful Master
Benny H. Farmer, Senior Warden
William W. Furnell, Jr., Junior Warden
James D. Smith, Treasurer
Herbert D. Cook, Secretary
John E. Adair, Chaplain
Ellis Rainey Lovell, Senior Deacon
Carl W. Cooper, Junior Deacon
Mack D. England, Senior Steward
J. P. Sims, Junior Steward
Tom Wallace, Tiler

On October 3, 1967, dispensation was granted Duck Creek Lodge U.D., Garland, to hold its Stated and Called Meetings in the Lodge room of Garland Lodge No. 441, Garland, Texas, until a suitable building could be located in Garland.

There were more than 350 Brethren who attended a barbeque dinner provided by Garland Lodge No. 441, with the ceremony following. Duck Creek Lodge was set to work under dispensation with 183 Master Masons from 44 cities in Texas, 24 states and 2 foreign countries.

Six Duck Creek Lodge members attended the 132nd Grand Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas. The Lodge officers presented necessary documents to the Committee on Auditing New Lodges. The Grand Lodge voted and approved a Charter for Duck Creek Lodge No. 1419, December 7, 1967. Arrangements were made for Most Worshipful Grand Master J. W. Chandler of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas to present the Charter, Constitute the Lodge and install the officers at an open called meeting on December 18, 1967. The following Brethren participated in the ceremony:

Most Worshipful J. W. Chandler, Grand Master
Right Worshipful J. Guy Smith,
Deputy Grand Master
Right Worshipful W. G. Proctor, P.G.M.,
as Grand Senior Warden
Right Worshipful Claud L. Austin, P.G.M.,
as Grand Junior Warden
Right Worshipful W. C. Gowen, as Grand Treasurer
Right Worshipful E. W. Wilson, as Grand Secretary
Right Worshipful Bruce Brannon, as
Grand Chaplain
Right Worshipful W. E. Peters, as Grand Orator
Cleo Caviness, as Grand Marshal
Right Worshipful J. R. Farrar,
as Grand Senior Deacon

Right Worshipful J. D. Tomme, Jr., P.G.M.,
as Grand Junior Deacon

Right Worshipful O. C. Gibson,
as Grand Senior Steward

R. E. Barbee, as Grand Junior Steward

J. B. Motley, as Grand Pursuivant

Herbert D. Cook, as Grand Tiler

The Brethren placed in charge of the Lodge were installed as officers.

Following the meeting, a reception was held at the Lodge for all present. This reception was hosted by the wives of the newly elected officers.

At the time Duck Creek Lodge No. 1419 received its Charter on December 7, 1967, there were 194 Charter Members. Of the 974 Lodges in Texas, Duck Creek ranked 352nd in size.



DUCK CREEK MASONIC LODGE No. 1419, A. F. & A. M., OFFICERS FOR 1972-1973
FRONT ROW: J. W. Nelson, Junior Deacon; Herbert Cook, Secretary; Harold James, Junior Warden; John Adams, Worshipful Master; Tom Wallace, Senior Warden; Ed Childs, Treasurer.
BACK ROW: Billy Ray Parker, Chaplain; Tommy Turner, Tiler; Jimmie Adams, Senior Deacon; Bryant Hardcastle, Senior Steward; Davey Murley, Master of Ceremonies; Herbert Craig, Junior Steward.

WORSHIPFUL MASTERS
OF
DUCK CREEK LODGE NO. 1419

Patterson, Jack D.	1967-1968
Farmer, Benny H.	1968-1969
Furnell, William W., Jr.	1969-1970
Lovell, E. Rainey	1970-1971
Cooper, Carl W.	1971-1972
Adams, John E. C.	1972-1973

PAST MASTERS OF OTHER LODGES
WHO ARE NOW MEMBERS OF
DUCK CREEK LODGE No. 1419

Barbee, Robert E., Garland Lodge No. 441, Garland, Texas	1962-1963
Cook, Herbert D., Royse City Lodge No. 663, Royse City, Texas	1964-1965
Farmer, Benny H., Garland Lodge No. 441, Garland, Texas	1965-1966
Fikes, Robert L., Richardson Lodge No. 1214, Richardson, Texas	1965-1966
Finklea, Robert W., Metropolitan Lodge No. 1182, Dallas, Texas	1961-1962
Hall, W. B., Garland Lodge No. 441, Garland, Texas	1947-1948
Hare, T. Perry, Garland Lodge No. 441, Garland, Texas	1961-1962
Mathis, Loyd C., Garland Lodge No. 441, Garland, Texas	1966-1967
Patterson, Jack D., Garland Lodge No. 441, Garland, Texas	1963-1964
Peters, W. E., Garland Lodge No. 441, Garland, Texas	1964-1965
Shirley, Jack, Friendship Lodge No. 16, Clarksville, Texas	1964-1965
Williams, E. T., Blue Ridge Lodge No. 490, Blue Ridge, Texas	1964-1965

PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS
WHO ARE NOW MEMBERS OF
DUCK CREEK LODGE No. 1419

Fikes, Robert L., District 14D	1972
Finklea, Robert W., District 14C	1964
Peters, W. E., District 14B	1966

DUCK CREEK LODGE No. 1419

ROSTER

Acker, Loyd E., Jr.	505 Prescott Drive
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Adams, Jimmie R.	906 Westbrook Drive Dallas, Texas 75214
Adams, John E. C.	1604 Flores
Agnew, William R.	1600 Melody Lane
Albright, William R.	617 Wildgrove
Alexander, Duane	1123 Marydale Road
Allen, Raymond Henry	3522 Bobbie Lane
Altfather, W. E.	2525 Patricia Lane
Anderson, Roger Leroy	123 W. Woodbury
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Ashley, Harlan Ray	902 Curtis
Bain, Charles L.	Box 1091
Baker, Billy R.	1002 Briarwood
Ballantyne, Duncan Allen	3104 Ruidosa Dallas, Texas 75228
Balthasar, Peter P.	3901 Keystone Road
Bankead, Jack M. H.	2213 Sylvan Drive
Banner, John C.	816 Melrose
Barbee, Robert E.	2020 Westchester
Barker, William F.	109 E. Brookwood Valdosta, Georgia 31601
Barnett, Jack D.	4629 Hanover
Bates, Bufford Lee	937 William, Rockwall, Texas 75087
Baxley, Gerald S.	Route 1, Box 95, Palmer, Texas 75152
Beal, Gordon Lewis	4409 Hillsdale Lane
Bectol, Walter J.	916 W. Avenue C
Bjerke, Charles J. O.	1448 Nash
Blasingame, John C.	3118 Country Club Road
Blevins, Loatis Howard	918 Briarwood
Border, Robert T.	2206 Sylvan Drive
Bozman, William R.	509 W. Ridgewood Drive

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Darby, Edsel R.....	2445 Cardinal Lane	
Darr, Audy L.....	2829 Old Orchard Road	
Davis, Robert S.....	2430 Cardinal Lane	
Dean, Floyd.....		310 Rita
Dove, Bill.....	3930 Savannah Drive	
Dudley, Aubrey H.....	1406 Marion Drive	

Hall, W. B.....	1402 Red Bud Lane
Halpin, Wendell L.....	1336 Saturn Springs Drive
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Hannawalt, O. E.....	504 Oregon
	Lehigh Acres, Florida 33936
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	Dallas, Texas 75227
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 Burlingame, Calif. 94010
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Harvey, George A. 201 S. Glenbrook
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 Beaumont, Texas 77705
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Hickey, B. V. 2201 Nottingham
Hicks, William N. 3909 Dixie
Hill, Donald R. 802 E. Vista
Hill, Earl J. 6075 College, Brady, Texas 76825
Hoffman, John M. 709 Parkmont
Hoover, Norman N. 713 Lawson Drive
Horton, John S. 2714 S. Fifth Circle
Howard, Herman H. 517 Prescott Drive
Howard, Louis A. 3317 Country Club Road
Hunter, Charles W. 1325 Charleston Drive
Hurst, Robert N. 1553 Nash

Jackson, Billy Ray. 2424 Newcastle Drive
Jackson, V. C. 714 Wildgrove Drive
James, Harold 2603 Nottingham Drive
Johnson, David J. 1309 Kingsbridge
Johnson, Frank 107 W. Harvard
Johnson, Robert C. 3010 Prescott Drive
Jones, Sam P. 1622 McDonald
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Kimmel, Johnny M. 705 Dawn
King, James D. 826 E. Vista
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Mayfield, Loyd D. 410 International, Apt. 130
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McElroy, Ray N. 3102 Old Orchard
McGee, George B. 217 Duke
McGilvray, Troy E. 4726 Princeton Drive
McSwain, Millard N. 3210 Centennial Drive
Meade, James M. 1519 Comanche Trail
Medlin, James A. 9715 Carnegie, Dallas, Texas 75228
Meppen, John A. 3010 Gardenia
Miller, Max A. 602 Kirby Lane
 Richardson, Texas 75080
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 Mesquite, Texas 75149
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 Wylie, Texas 75098
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Mixon, J. J. 801 Branch Drive

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Strock, Robert E.	3716 Edgewood Drive
Tauzin, Eugene A.	2349 Mockingbird Lane
Taylor, L. H.	3410 Forest Lane
Terry, Victor L.	6531 Northport Drive Dallas, Texas 75230
Thompson, Clifford E.	4601 Cornell
Tipton, Donald O.	1709 Charleston Drive
Turnbull, Donald E.	461 Hilltop Drive Stratford, Conn. 06497
Turner, Carl E.	1134 Clinton
Turner, Carl Thomas	1202 Southgate
Turrentine, L. C.	1326 Lakewood Drive
Tyler, Eugene William	1125 Briarwood
Vanderslice, Larry J.	602 E. Celeste Drive
Wagner, Troy David	413 Duke
Wallace, W. Tom	3526 Plaza Park
Waters, Don H.	3517 Galaxie Drive
Watson, Frank	5211 Richard, Dallas, Texas 75206
Watts, Gilbert Roy	4709 Hanover Drive
Wess, Howard M.	1529 Randolph Drive
West, Jerry Lee	2823 Catalina Mesquite, Texas 75149
Wilemon, W. Kenneth	1114 Lawson Drive
Willard, Everett V.	1310 Lewis
Williams, E. T.	Route 2, Box 583
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Willsey, Russell D.	1237 McDonald Drive
Wilson, Charles Walker, Jr.	3906 Norma
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Winsett, Virgil R.	1122 Atlanta Circle
Woods, Raymond R.	5816 Birchbrook Drive, Apt. 117 Dallas, Texas 75206
Wright, John E.	1909 Patton Drive
Wynn, Bobby H.	905 Carroll Drive
Young, Loyd E.	8116 Loma Alto, Apt. D Dallas, Texas 75225

BY-LAWS

DUCK CREEK LODGE No. 1419

Article I

NAME OF THE LODGE

This Lodge was chartered by the Grand Lodge of Texas on the 7th day of December, 1967, and shall be known by the name and style of Duck Creek Lodge No. 1419, of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

This Lodge subscribes to and shall be governed by the Constitution, Laws, Resolutions, and Edicts of the Grand Lodge of Texas.

Article II

MEETINGS OF THE LODGE

Section 1. The stated meetings shall be held on the second Monday of every month at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

Section 2. Called meetings may be made by the Worshipful Master (or in his absence or inability to serve, by the Senior Warden, or in the absence of both Master and Senior Warden, then by the Junior Warden), at such times as they, or either of them, having the right to act, may think important, or to the interest of the Craft.

Section 3. As many members as possible should be notified of such called meetings, and no business shall be transacted at same, except such as was specified in the call.

Article III

OFFICERS OF THE LODGE

The officers of this Lodge shall be a Worshipful Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, Treasurer, Secretary, Chaplain, Senior and Junior Deacons, Senior and Junior Stewards and Tiler.

Article IV

ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF LODGE

Section 1. The Worshipful Master, Wardens, Treasurer and Secretary shall be elected, all other officers shall be appointed.

Section 2. In the election of officers, should only one name be placed in nomination, the vote may be taken without ballot; but should more than one Brother be placed in nomination, the members shall prepare their ballots, which shall be taken up and counted at the Secretary's desk, and the number of votes received by each Brother reported to the presiding officer, and he shall declare the Brother receiving a majority of all the votes cast duly elected.

Section 3. In the event no Brother has such majority, the ballot will be repeated until such result is attained. Blank votes shall not be considered in estimating the result.

Article V

DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

Section 1. Worshipful Master — It shall be the duty of the Worshipful Master to see that the By-Laws of the Lodge, as well as the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge are duly observed, and that the officers attend strictly to their duties.

Section 2. Treasurer — It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to hold all deeds, certificates of stock, notes, bonds, obligations, or other property of a financial character, belonging to the Lodge, and to collect and receive the same when directed by the Lodge; to receive all moneys from the hands of the Secretary, passing his receipt for the same; and pay them out only upon the order of the Worshipful Master and consent of the Lodge.

Section 3. He shall keep a correct account of same, and report minutely the financial condition of the Lodge,

at the stated meeting next preceding the festival of St. John the Baptist, and at such other times as the Lodge may direct.

Section 4. Secretary — It shall be the duty of the Secretary to carefully observe the proceedings of the Lodge; make a correct record of all things proper to be written, and to receive all moneys due the Lodge; turning them over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt for the same. The Secretary shall receive fifty dollars (\$50.00) per month for his services.

Section 5. It shall be the duty of the Secretary:

- (1) To keep all books and papers relating to the proceedings of the Lodge.
- (2) To authenticate all official papers and documents emanating from the Lodge with the seal of the same.
- (3) To notify all Brethren of their election to office, if they were not present at the time of the election.
- (4) To notify the Grand Secretary, as prescribed by law, of the suspension or expulsion of members, and of the rejection of applicants; to issue all summons, demits, and notices, as he may be directed; to make out and transmit to the Grand Secretary the annual returns of this Lodge; remit also to him the Grand Lodge dues; report to the Grand Secretary the names of all Brethren elected to Resident or Dual Membership; and perform all other duties appertaining to his office.
- (5) To arrange for a picture of the Worshipful Master to be hung in the Lodge room at the expense of the Lodge.

Section 6. Tiler — It shall be the duty of the Tiler to see that the various articles of furniture are in their

appropriate places, to strictly guard the door during the sitting of the Lodge; to summons the members of the Lodge to all called meetings where a summons is necessary, and be punctual in his attendance.

Article VI

STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Worshipful Master, Senior and Junior Wardens shall constitute a Standing Committee on Charity, Sickness and Arbitration, a majority of whom may at all times, act; and are responsible for the Lodge. Their duties are as follows:

- (1) Charity — It is their duty to examine all claimants for assistance, and, if necessary, they may draw upon the Treasurer, in each instance, for an amount not exceeding ten dollars; reporting the facts in each case to the Lodge at its next stated meeting, thereafter.
- (2) Sickness — It shall be their duty to visit all sick Brethren (unless it would be dangerous or imprudent to do so), and ascertain their condition and necessities; and to take such actions as they may deem proper and necessary, both in regard to the Brother and his family.
- (3) Arbitration — It shall also be the duty of this committee to settle all differences between Brethren, unless the parties prefer to bring the matter before the Lodge.

Section 2. Committee on Finance — It shall be the duty of the Worshipful Master at the first stated meeting after the 24th of June, of each year, to appoint a Standing Committee on Finance, to be composed of three discreet Master Masons, members of this Lodge, and if possible, men practically acquainted with bookkeeping.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of this committee, at the close of each Masonic Year, as soon as appointed,

and oftener if required, to carefully examine and check up the reports, books and vouchers of the Secretary and Treasurer, and any other financial matters referred to them; and make a full and accurate report at the next stated meeting of the Lodge, showing the condition of the books and accounts. And should any inaccuracies be found, recommend the necessary steps for their correction. In the matter of ordinary account referred to them, they may, if satisfied, report instant.

Section 4. The reports of said Committee on Finance thus made, shall be read in open Lodge and spread upon the minutes, noting the action taken by the Lodge; and all accounts and claims against the Lodge, when demanded by any Brother, shall be referred to this committee, before being allowed.

Article VII

FEEES FOR DEGREES

The fees for the degrees of this Lodge shall be as follows: for Initiation, \$40.00; Passing, \$30.00; and Raising, \$20.00 plus \$10.00 for Masonic Home and School.

Article VIII

DIMITS

Section 1. A member is chargeable with dues until his application for dimit is granted. He cannot be required to pay also his per capita to the Grand Lodge.

Section 2. When a dimit is issued, the Secretary shall refund the Brother with dues on a basis of \$7.50 if the dimit is issued between June 24th and December 31st. Demits issued after December 31st through June 23rd there will be no refund.

Article IX

LODGE DUES

Section 1. Each member of this Lodge (unless herein exempted) shall pay dues from the time of his raising

or affiliation, at the rate of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per year, which must be paid to the Secretary on or before the stated meeting of June of each year.

Section 2. A new member either by raising, reinstatement or affiliation, shall be required to pay dues in the amount of \$15.00 for the remainder of the Masonic year, if this occurs between June 24th and December 31st. Dues in the amount of \$7.50 will be payable if this occurs following December 31st through June 23rd. He shall thereafter pay dues as other members.

Article X

VISITING BRETHREN

Section 1. A visitor shall not be admitted except upon due examination or lawful avouchment.

Section 2. In the event that the visiting Brother is a stranger and hails from some Lodge in another Grand Jurisdiction, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to notify the visitor's Lodge that we have had the pleasure of a visit by one of its members, giving the name and date.

Article XI

MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS

Weapons — Weapons, either offensive or defensive, shall not be carried into the Lodge rooms.

Article XII

BUSINESS

At stated meetings after opening the Lodge in due and ancient form, a quorum being present, the Order of Business, unless otherwise ordered by the Lodge, or the Worshipful Master, shall be as follows:

1. Reading, correcting and approval of Minutes of previous meetings.

2. Receiving and referring to Committees of Petitions and Applications.
3. Reports of Special Committees.
4. Balloting on Petitions and Applications.
5. Reports of Standing Committees.
6. Communications from the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Texas.
7. Unfinished Business.
8. Motions, Resolutions and New Business.
9. Examinations for Proficiency in the proper degree.
10. Voting on Proficiency.
11. Claims and Accounts.

Article XIII

RULES OF BUSINESS

The rules of conducting the business of this Lodge shall be as nearly as possible the same as those prescribed for the Grand Lodge, and in addition, as follows:

Section 1. When a question is decided, the same matter shall not again be acted on during that meeting, unless on motion to reconsider, which can only be made by a member voting in the majority, and at that or the next stated meeting, when there must be an equal or greater number of members present than when the action was had.

Section 2. All questions of order shall be decided by the Worshipful Master without appeal or debate; but the Master may ask the advice of any member before deciding; and he has the right, at any time, to declare the Lodge closed or called off, for the purpose of stopping angry debate or confusion.

Article XIV

PRESENTATIONS

Section 1. Each newly initiated member shall be presented a Lightfoot Manual of the Lodge. Upon being raised, he shall be presented a Masonic Edition of the Holy Bible and a Masonic apron.

Section 2. Each member shall be presented annually a copy of the by-laws and roster of Duck Creek Lodge.

Article XV

AMENDMENTS OF BY-LAWS

Section 1. No amendments of these By-Laws, either by alteration or addition, shall be made unless in the following manner:

Section 2. The proposed amendment must be in writing, signed by a proposer, and presented and read at a stated meeting of this Lodge, at which time it may be discussed and amended, if necessary.

Section 3. At the next stated meeting of this Lodge, it shall again be considered and voted upon without further amendment; and if approved by a majority of the votes of the members present, shall become a part of these By-Laws, upon compliance with the other provisions of this article.

Section 4. All amendments of these By-Laws must be submitted to the Grand Lodge for its approval before they take effect, except the following:

- (1) Amendments relating to the time of holding stated meetings.
- (2) Amendments relating to dues, and also as to fees, provided they are not made less than the minimum prescribed by the Grand Lodge.

Article XVI

Section 1. The above By-Laws having been approved by the M. W. Grand Lodge of Texas, on the 7th day of December A. D. 1967, for adoption; this is to certify that Duck Creek Lodge No. 1419, A. F. & A. M., located at Garland, Texas, has on this the 18th day of December, A. D. 1967, adopted the same.

These By-Laws were amended by Lodge vote on:

December 22, 1969

March 22, 1971

May 24, 1971

May 22, 1972

By order of the Lodge.

/s/ Herbert D. Cook, Secretary

(Lodge Seal)

OTHER RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION

Adopted May 25, 1970

Inasmuch as Duck Creek Lodge No. 1419 of Garland, Texas; having been established and chartered to work as a Masonic Lodge; has been renting space and facilities since it was established under Dispensation October 2, 1967 and chartered December 18, 1967; and since said Lodge desires to own its own land, building, and facilities at some appropriate time in the future; for the purpose of Masonic meetings, work, and social events;

Therefore be it Resolved, that a building escrow fund be established to accumulate moneys for the purpose of obtaining such land, building and facilities in Garland, Texas, to be owned by Duck Creek Lodge No. 1419 for the purpose of conducting Masonic meetings, work, and social events.

Such building escrow fund shall be maintained as a separate account in a legally chartered bank or savings and loan association in Texas; which is federally insured for the total amount of the deposits. Should the total amount of deposits exceed the usually available federal deposit insurance in one depository, then an additional account shall also be opened in another bank or savings and loan association to fully insure the deposits. These moneys shall be deposited in such passbook accounts as to receive the highest interest consistent with safety and availability of funds.

Also a separate record and statement of accounts shall be maintained by the Treasurer for the building escrow fund and shall be submitted for annual audit or as often as called for by the Lodge.

These building escrow fund deposits shall consist of an initial deposit of \$4,000.00 (four-thousand) and donations upon passage of this Resolution, plus \$3.00 (three dollars) per year from each annual dues collected for 1969-70 and subsequent years, plus \$5.00 (five dollars) for each degree conferred on new members of Duck Creek Lodge No. 1419.

Withdrawals of moneys from said building escrow fund may be made only by a motion approved by majority vote of the members present and voting, following an approved recommendation of the Long Range Planning Committee, and the Building Committee. Such withdrawal instrument shall require two of three signatures of the Worshipful Master, Treasurer, and Secretary of Duck Creek Lodge No. 1419.

Such Building escrow fund shall remain active and in effect until such land, building, and facilities are obtained, and are paid in full.

This Resolution was read and discussed on April 27, 1970, then laying until the next stated meeting, and

balloted upon on May 25, 1970 with a majority vote of those present approving this Resolution.

William W. Furnell, W.M.

Rainey Lovell, S.W.

Carl Cooper, J.W.

Merrill R. Judd, Treas.

Herbert D. Cook, Secy.

RESOLUTION

Adopted May 22, 1972

The following resolution is submitted for consideration by the membership of Duck Creek Lodge No. 1419:

Whereas it has been the custom of Duck Creek Lodge No. 1419 to present the W. M. a token of appreciation at the end of his year as Worshipful Master, and

Whereas this gift is usually an inscribed watch and, other gifts,

Therefore be it resolved that it be an annual presentation that the Worshipful Masters at the end of their Masonic year be presented the customary inscribed watch as a gift from the Lodge.

J. W. Nelson, Chaplain

Duck Creek Lodge No. 1419

RESOLUTION

Adopted December 11, 1972

Inasmuch as Duck Creek Masonic Lodge 1419 has need of a standing committee to study and recommend to the Lodge any item that may be carried out in years

following the current Masonic year, it is desired to establish the Long Range Planning Committee.

Therefore, be it resolved that such a committee be established, consisting of three most recent Past Masters, the current Worshipful Master and one member appointed by the Chairman of such committee, for his special skills and knowledge. The Chairman will be the oldest Past Master.

Each Masonic year, the Junior Past Master will automatically become a member of the committee, and the oldest Past Master will retire.

The Long Range Planning Committee will meet at least once every three months and report in writing to the Lodge at the following Stated Meeting.

This Resolution is respectfully submitted to the Lodge for its consideration.

William W. Furnell, Jr.
Past Master

Duck Creek Lodge No. 1419