

APPENDIX B

EXTRACTS FROM MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNOR'S GUARDS, SEPTEMBER, 1862, TO JULY, 1863¹

Denver City, September 13, 1862.

Meeting having been called to order by the secretary on motion Lewis N. Tappan was appointed temporary Chairman. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved—The committee appointed to report a set of by-laws submitted a set of by-laws which, having been read seriatim, were amended as follows and adopted:

The Committee, to obtain a suitable room for an armory, reported that they had found one on G St. between Larimer and McGaa at a rent of eight dollars per month. The committee were directed to rent the building for the term of one month. On motion the Company went into an election for Officers resulting in the election of the following named gentlemen to fill the respective officers for the term of one year:

viz.

Secretary.....	Thomas G. Wildman
Treasurer	George T. Clark
Finance Com.....	Messrs. Kiskadden, Nowlan, Tappan, Howe and Byers
Captain	D. A. Butterfield
1st Lieutenant.....	Wm. Kiskadden
2nd Lieutenant	Wm. C. M. Jones
3rd Lieutenant	John L. Dailey
Ensign.....	A. G. Gill

On motion a committee was appointed consisting of three to wait upon the Acting Governor and request him to be present at the next meeting of the Company and administer the oath of allegiance, to the members of the Company—The Chairman appointed Messrs. Wildman, Tappan and Byers—On motion a committee of five were appointed consisting of Messrs. S. S. Curtis, Jones, Saville, and Daily to await upon the Acting Governor and inform him of the organization of the Company and request him to make arrangements for arming the Company. Meeting adjourned to 8:00 P.M., Sept. 25th, 1862.

T. G. Wildman, Sec. G. G.
Denver, Sept. 25th, 1862

¹ The following notes appear on the typewritten copy of these minutes in the possession of the State Historical Society, Denver, Colo.: "The document herewith is a copy of the original minutes of the Governor's Guard of Denver. The existence of the book in which the minutes were kept appears to have been unknown for many years. It is badly torn, appears to have been submerged in water for a long period of time, and many words are illegible because covered with a paste of sand which cannot be removed. It is believed by its owners to have been carried off in the Cherry Creek flood of 1864 and its general appearance lends strong support to this theory. The document was discovered among the law books of the late David Mitchell, a Denver attorney, when the books were purchased after Mr. Mitchell's death by the proprietors of the Old Colony Book Store of Denver.

"The proprietors of the Old Colony Store have kindly permitted the copying of the minutes for the benefit of the State Historical and Natural History Society of Colorado, and they are subjoined hereto."

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Chairman:

Your Com. appointed to secure an armory and drill-room, have to report that we have rented for one month the room in Bayauds block on G. St. between Larimer and McGaa Sts. which was spoken of at our last meeting. The price to be paid is \$8.00 per month.

Resp'tl'y

Curtis, Nowlan, Byers, com.

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Minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of the Governor's Guard
held

November 11th, 1862.

Meeting was called to order by the President.

Roll called Twenty-one members present.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Moyn—Mr. J. W. Safely was elected an honorary member of the Governor's Guard by acclamation.

On motion of Mr. Byers the vote on the above motion was reconsidered.

Mr. Stanton moved that no Honorary members shall be admitted to this Company, who has not paid \$10 admission fee per annum, or has not presented the Company with articles of use to that amount and has not been duly elected by a two-thirds vote of the Company at any Regular or adjourned meeting. Amended. \$500.00 in place of \$10.00. Moved to refer the subject to com. on by-laws. Mr. McDonald moved to table all pending motions. Carried.

Report of courtmartial called for. Committee report progress and ask further time. Granted.

Committee on by-laws—no report. On motion of Mr. Jones the Committee on by-laws were instructed to report a by-law on Honorary Membership.

Moved by Mr. Jones, that when we adjourn we adjourn till Friday night. Amended by Mr. Wilcox to meet monthly till April next.

Mr. Tappan was called to the chair. Capt. Butterfield spoke against the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Byers all pending motions were tabled.

Mr. Byers then moved that all business be confined to regular meetings. Mr. Gibson moved that no business be discussed on drill meetings. Messrs. Stanton, Haman and Kiskadden made similar motions.

Mr. Byers moved to lay all pending motions on the table. Carried.

Mr. Kiskadden then moved that when we adjourn we adjourn till next regular meeting and com. on by-laws report on this subject. Carried.

Moved by Mr. McDonald that we meet but once a week for drill and that we meet on Tuesday night—division called for—7 aff. 6 neg. Carried.

On motion the committee on by-laws were instructed to report a full code of by-laws at the next regular meeting.

Moved by Mr. Byers that the com. consist of three members, Mr. Lewis N. Tappan, Chm. and Chair appoint. Carried.

Committee on by-laws, Mr. Tappan, Byers and McDonald.

On request of the Captain the majority agreed to drill on horses Wednesday, (3 P.M.) next.

On motion the meeting adjourned for drill.

Geo. Lyman Moody
Sec. Pro Tem G. G.

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Governor's Guard
held

December 1st, 1862

Meeting called to order by the President.

Roll called, seventeen members present.

Minutes of the last meeting rec'd and adopted.

Report of the Committee on By-laws called for. The committee reported the following:

BY-LAWS

1. Meeting of the Company shall be held on the first Monday of each month at the hour of 7:00 P. M. until March 1st, 1863.
2. Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum to transact business.
3. All adjournments shall be made to the next regular meeting.
4. Special meetings may be ordered by the Captain for the transaction of important business.
5. The Captain shall be President of all meetings of the Company, and shall call the Company to order punctually at the hour of meeting.
6. The Roll shall be called by the Secretary as soon as the Company is called to order by the President.
7. The order of business shall be as follows:
 1. Reading minutes of previous meetings during the last month.
 2. Report of Committees and of Officers.
 3. Unfinished business
 4. New business
8. White, male residents only of (?) Arapahoe County shall be eligible to membership in the Company.
9. All officers of this Company, Civil and Military, shall be elected by ballot, at the annual meeting of the Company. Vacancies may be filled at the first monthly meeting after the same occurs.
10. Previous to any vote on any business requiring a vote by ballot the President shall appoint a judge and two tellers to collect, count, determine, and report the vote of the Company.
11. Majority shall elect.
12. Committees shall report in writing.
13. Any office in this Company, may be declared vacant on reasonable cause shown, by vote of two-thirds of the Company present, notice of the intend action, having been given at the previous monthly meeting.
14. Members neglecting to perform their duties on committee shall be fined for each omission, reported by the Chairman thereof; one dollar.
15. Commissioned officers absent from roll call shall be fined three dollars; non-commissioned and civil officers, two dollars; privates one dollar.
16. Each of the Sergeants shall provide himself with a roster of the Company, and the senior sergeant present shall call the roll at the hour appointed for any drill meeting of the company. The roll shall also be called just previous to the termination of the drill, by order of the commanding officer.
17. The Company shall meet on Tuesday of each week for drill; at such time (?) as the commanding officer shall determine, at the (?) armory, and when no order is given, at 7 P.M.

18. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of business meetings, and copy the roll with every note thereon of any violation of the by-laws of the Company.
19. The Secretary shall make returns to the Treasurer of fines, and assessments collected at each regular business meeting.
20. The senior sergeant present will record all orders of the commander of the Company and the sergeant will note any violations of duty on the part of members, either of the Constitution, By-laws, or orders of the commander, and report the same to the second lieutenant, as Chairman of the Courtmartial, at least once a month, when they shall be required to do so.
21. The second lieutenant and two privates shall constitute a court martial, which shall report monthly on all matters brought before them concerning violations of the constitution and by-laws of the Company, and their action thereon.
22. Notices to the Company shall be made by the Secretary, to the four sergeants, who shall notify their respective squads accordingly.
23. When any person shall have manifested such an interest in the Company as shall entitle him to a higher compliment than the thanks of the Company, he may be elected an Honorary member by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.
24. These by-laws may be altered or suspended by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

After some discussion the by-laws were adopted seriatim as above written. After which Mr. Byers moved the adoption of the by-laws as a whole. Carried.

The resignation of Orderly Sergeant O. P. Thomas was received and accepted. O. P. Thomas being about to leave the territory.

Mr. Nolan moved that we now proceed to elect a Second Lieut. (in place of Geo. T. Clark resigned) Carried. Nominations. Messrs. Moyn, Nolan, J. L. Dailey.

Chair appointed Mr. Byers, judge, and Messrs. Butler and Jones tellers.

Report of 1st ballot—16 ballots cast—Moyn 5—Dailey 5—Nolan 5—Nye 1. 2nd ballot—15 ballots cast—Wilcox 1—Moyn 5—Dailey 3—Nolan 4—Nye 2. 3rd ballot—17 ballots cast—Moyn 9—Nolan 3—Dailey 3—Smith 1—blank 1. Mr. Daniel Moyn having received a majority was declared duly elected Second Lieut. Governors Guards.

A vacancy in the 3d corporalecy having occurred by this election, Mr. Byers gave notice that the next regular meeting he should move the election of a Third Corporal, also of First Sergeant.

Moved that we adopt Patten's Cavalry tactics by which this Company shall be drilled.

Moved that the Secretary be instructed to have 100 copies of the constitution and by-laws printed. Carried.

Bills presented.

Bill of O. P. Thomas, Company Dr. to him for one	
gall. Kerosene oil	\$2.00
Bill of Thos Bayaud, Company Dr. to him for one	
months rent of building	\$8.00

O. P. Thomas having been fined \$1.00 left a balance of \$1.00. Messrs. Noland and Byers of Finance Committee recommended this balance and Mr. Bayaud's bill for payment.

On motion these accounts were ordered paid by vote of the Company and were signed by Mr. President and Secretary.

Moved that the Secretary be instructed to file the muster roll of the Governor's Guard with the Adjutant General of Colorado Territory. Carried.

Report of the Court martial called for. Report made to the following dates by the Chairman.

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Names	No. of Absences	Remarks	\$ cts.
G. L. Moody	1	Excused	
Jas. B. Jones	2	Fined excused once	1.00
Jas. McDonald	6	Fined excused five	1.00
Henry Hall	—	Went to States Dec. 1, '62	
Hiram Burton	8	Fined	5.00
O. P. Thomas	—	Left the territory, '62	
Daniel Moyn		Always present	
D. A. Butterfield		Always present	
Fred Kershaw	1	Excused	
Thos Smith	3	Went to States, Dec. 1	3.00
G. H. Wilcox	6	Fined—3 times excused	3.00
Thos. Gibson	1	Fined	1.00
Henry Gibson	2	Fined—1 time excused	1.00
F. W. Stanton	3	Fined	3.00
Jas. Taggart		Always present	
Jos. L. Bailey	8	Fined	5.00
Ed. Clayton	4	Fined—2 times excused	2.00
L. N. Tappan	—	Left for States about Dec. 1	
H. E. Rounds	3	Fined	3.00
I. M. Butler		Always present	
Peter Aller	—	Left Territory No. 11	
Thos. R. Harder	3	Fined	3.00
B. C. Hayman	5	Fined	5.00
Wm. Nowlan	1	Fined	1.00
Richard E. Cooke	7	Fined	5.00
Redwood Fisher	8	Fined	5.00
J. B. Ashard	—	Never answered to roll call	5.00
I. M. Broadwell	—	Never answered to roll call	5.00
A. B. Cass	8	Fined by load of wood	3.50
A. M. Clark	—	Never answered R. C.	5.00
S. S. Curtis	—	Appointed Lt Col 2nd Col. Vols. Nov. 1	
W. Deasey	—	Never answered R. C.	5.00
R. R. Dorsett	8	Fined	5.00
A. Hanaher	—	Never answered R. C.	5.00
Stanley Hatch	—	Never answered R. C.	5.00
B. F. Hermans	—	Never answered R. C.	5.00
Sam Howe	—	Never answered R. C.	5.00
Charles King	—	Left county Nov. 1st	
Jas. McWassar	—	Never answered R. C.	5.00
Jas. Miller	—	Never answered R. C.	5.00
F. W. Olmstead	10	Fined	5.00
W. D. Pease	9	Fined	5.00
Mathew Saville	9	Fined	5.00
Jacob Shoudy	10	Fined	5.00

Names	No. of Absences	Remarks	\$ cts.
Schlyer	—	Dec. 9 went to Fort Halleck	
R. S. Wilson	—	Never answered R. C.	5.00
A. Wildman	5	Fined	4.00
Thos. G. Wildman	—	Went to States Nov. 1st	
George T. Clark	—	Absent since Nov. 3rd	5.00
I. W. Jones	—	Left the county	
John A. Nye	7	Excused five times	2.00
Wm. W. Dailey	2	2.00
Wm. N. Byers	2	Excused one time	1.00
F. W. Crame	6	5.00
Wm. Kiskadden	4	4.00
John L. Dailey	3	3.00

(Signed) President Daniel Moyn
Jas. B. Jones
James McDonald

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June 29, 1863

A meeting of the Governors Guards was held at the office of Bowen and Macdonald on Monday evening June 29, 1863.

There being present John L. Dailey, W. D. Pease, Capt. D. A. Butterfield, James M. Taggard, J. M. Butler, A. B. Case, F. W. Cram, B. C. Hayman, Henry Gibson, Daniel Moyn, Edward Clayton, Thomas Gibson, J. B. Jones, A. J. Gill, F. J. Stanton and James Macdonald.

Capt. Butterfield took the chair and called the meeting to order. On motion James Macdonald was elected Secretary Pro. Tem.

The Capt. explained that the Company were called together to take some action in relation to the uniforms which they had subscribed for and ordered, and also to infuse new life into the Company and make it more efficient in its organization.

A general conversation ensued regarding the amount subscribed and paid to T. G. Wildman on account of Uniform.

James B. Jones stated on the part of T. G. Wildman that the uniforms would not arrive and that he was ready to refund to the Company the money paid to him on that account and that he had received on said account, including his own subscription, the sum of \$265.00 and that he said Jones had \$255.00 which he was ready to pay over now, but that he would prefer that a committee be appointed to ascertain the amount due to each member and the amounts which the books show has been charged to T. G. Wildman.

J. B. Jones moved that when this meeting adjourned it adjourn to meet at the office of Bowen and Macdonald to-morrow evening June 30 at 8 o'clock. Carried.

It was then moved and adopted that a committee of two be appointed to get the books and ascertain the amounts subscribed on account of uniforms, and the amount thereof which has been received by T. G. Wildman and to report at next meeting.

The Captain appointed Thomas Gibson and M. D. Pease as such committee.

It was moved that B. C. Hayman that a committee of three be appointed to ascertain the facts concerning the ordering of uniforms by T. G. Wildman. The motion was lost.

B. C. Hayman then moved that all resolutions or motions heretofore adopted with the design of transforming the Governors Guards from a Cavalry Company to an Infantry Company be repealed and that the original organization of said Company be in full force and effect. Carried.

B. C. Hayman then made a motion that the Company adopt as the * * * and guide for drill of the Governors Guards "Pattens (?) Cavalry Tactics. The motion was carried.

The Secretary Pro. Tem. was instructed to notify Wm. N. Byers to report to the next meeting on the state of the financial condition of the Company.

James B. Jones then gave notice that at the next meeting of the Company he would move that all vacant offices be filled by vote of the Company.

The Captain on request then stated that he had had an interview with the Governor in relation to the affairs of the Company, who urged an effective organization as a Cavalry Company. That members desiring to join the Infantry Militia could be transferred. The captain then said that some agreement should be entered into or some assurance mutually given by the members to each other, whereby such an efficient organization should be made as became this the senior Company of the Territory of Colorado.

After which statement the meeting adjourned.

D. A. Butterfield
Chairman

James Macdonald
Sec. Pro. Tem.

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Denver, June 30th, 1863

The Governors Guards met according to adjournment at Bowen and Macdonald's office Tuesday evening June 30th, 1863. The following members being present: Capt. D. A. Butterfield, Thomas Gibson, Daniel Moyn, A. B. Case, J. L. Dailey, Thomas R. Carder, G. N. Billings, W. D. Pease, J. B. Jones, John A. Nye, J. M. Butler, B. C. Hayman, Henry Gibson, F. W. Cram, Fred Kershaw, G. H. Wilcox, Thomas Baume (?), James Macdonald and Sergeant Goodwin of the regular service.

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The Captain then informed the Company that Sergeant Goodwin was present and suggested in the meantime and until our own officers were instructed in the drill of a cavalry company that Sergeant Goodwin be requested to act as drill officer of the Governors Guards.

It was thereupon moved and carried that Sergeant Goodwin be respectfully requested to act as orderly sergeant of the Governor's Guards until our own officers were instructed in the manual of the drill.

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Denver, July 13, 1863

The Governor's Guard met at their armory on Blake Street on Monday evening July 13th, 1863 according to notice issued by order of the Captain. There being present James B. Jones, Fred Kershaw, Redwood Fisher, A. B. Case, G. N. Billings, F. J. Stanton, B. M. Heermans, D. A. Butterfield, B. C. Hayman, James M. Broadwell, W. H. H. Dabney, W. M. Dailey, John L. Dailey, Henry Gibson, James Macdonald and Sergeant Goodwin.

The meeting was called to order by the Captain and the minutes of the meeting of June 30th and of July 2 were read and approved.

Captain Butterfield then reported that in accordance with the vote of the Company he had hired the hall over the Diana Saloon from Mr. Miekley for the period of one month with the privilege of six at the rate of thirty dollars per month. The rent to be paid in advance, and that he had become personally responsible for the rent. Trusting that the Company would reimburse him in the matter. The report was received and a subscription was then taken up from the members present to pay the rent, as follows: Captain Butterfield subscribed \$3.00, B. M. Heermans, J. M. Broadwell and Jas. Macdonald \$2.00 each, James B. Jones, F. Kershaw, A. B. Case, H. Gibson, F. Stanton, B. C. Hayman, W. H. H. Dabney, John L. Dailey and W. M. Dailey, \$1.00.

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The Captain then reported that he had offered the services of the Company to Governor Evans for the purpose of joining the expedition to the Middle Park in pursuit of Indians. The Governor accepted them and tendered the services to Colonel Chivington, the Commander of this department. The Commander courteously declined the services so tendered on account that there were sufficient troops now here unemployed to meet and subdue the present troubles and because of the difficulty in procuring transportation for the forage and rations for the Company.²

The Company then adjourned for drill and after being put through the exercise separated to meet for drill on Friday evening next.

D. A. Butterfield
Chairman

James Macdonald
Secretary

(NOTE: These "minutes" are appended to this history because they give us a very comprehensive idea of the organization, training (or lack of it), and administration of the first of the **volunteer** militia companies of the territory of Colorado, and because a perusal of the names mentioned throughout the "minutes" reveals many who later became prominent civic and military leaders of the territory and state. Among these may be mentioned Wm. N. Byers, John L. Dailey, S. S. Curtis, L. N. Tappan and John A. Nye—J. H. N.).

² However, the services of the company were finally accepted on August 20, 1864, when the "Governor's Guards" were mustered in to the Federal service as Company A, 3d Colorado Cavalry Volunteers.