A stated communication of Harmony Lodge No. 42 A.F. & A.M. was held at the Masonic Temple, 531 Highland Avenue, Waterbury, Connecticut on Thursday, **October 15th, 2026,** with the following officers in attendance:

Worshipful Master:	Kevin Kazlauskas	Senior Warden:	Matthew Renaudo
Junior Warden:	Alex J. DeFranzo, Absent	Treasurer:	Michael Kenausis
Secretary:	Gary A. Byram	Senior Deacon:	Gerry Matthews
Junior Deacon:	Michael Pranulis, Absent	Senior Steward:	Patrick Donnelly, Absent
Junior Steward:	Peter Testa	Chaplain:	Daniel Sharkis, PM
Historian:	Gary Rosengrant, PM	Marshal:	~~Joseph Pisani~~, PM , Absent
Tiler:	Colten Matthews, Absent	Librarian:	~~Joseph Pisani~~, PM, Absent
Almoner:	RW Kenneth Tarwood, PM	Organist:	RW Don Wismann, PM

In the East: WM Kevin Kazlauskas. **Pro tem':** Junior Warden- Don Wismann, PM; Junior Deacon- Jason Gadue, PM
Tiler- Frank Bombardier

Past Masters: 10 Past Grand Masters: 0 Grand Lodge Officers: 5 Visitors: 0 Total: 21

Harmony Lodge No. 42 opened on the Fellow Craft Degree at 7:30 PM by WM Kevin, instructed WB Daniel to lead the craft in prayer, followed by Pledge of Allegiance to our Nation's Flag. WM Kevin then acknowledged all Past Masters present tonight.

Secretary's Report:

1. **$140.00** collected for tonight's dinner receipts.
2. Advised the craft that previous meeting minutes were emailed to the membership, to contact Bro, Secretary Gary Byram directly if anyone should have any questions or comments on the posted minutes.
3. Get well card from the craft was mailed to WB Manny Tirado.
4. Advised the craft the dimit form was signed and returned from Bro. Eric Bogert, and his Grandview membership profile was updated accordingly.
5. I ordered bibles Heirloom Bible Publishers to backfill our depleted supply.
6. New aprons need to be ordered for the Stewards. I have a sample apron on order from Kalamazoo Regalia for the craft to review and approve of its quality and style. This is the same masonic supply outlet that we purchase our Past Master aprons from. I added that we should consider replacing all 13 officer aprons for a cost of about $300.00. This shall be revisited at the next Stated Communication meeting.
7. I ordered ritual books, candidate white aprons, and lecture booklets from CT-Grand Lodge at a cost of $612.58. Discussion had, motion made and thus approved for payment on voucher #5319. WM Kevin volunteered to pick this order up at Saturday's Semi-Annual CT-Grand Lodge meeting.
8. Update on members owing dues: 28 brothers totaling $2792.90.
9. Having no further business to present, no follow up questions asked, my desk was found to be clear.

Treasurer's Report: No report given at this time.

WM Kevin Kazlauskas Agenda Topics:

1. WB Chris Poulin was conducted to the East to receive his Past Master's apron, a long overdue presentation.
2. Reminded the craft of Saturday's Semi-Annual meeting, needed one volunteer to pro tem' to represent Harmony Lodge for the purposes of voting. Bro. Joseph Nadeau agreed to perform this most worthy task. 3 key vote are on the slate for discussion and motion to vote upon…
    a. Increase member per capita fee to CT-GL increasing from the current $65.00 up to $90.00. Discussion followed, motion to vote made, and thus so approved.
    b. Charge EA and FC candidates a full year of dues with the primary intent of advancing them to achieve their MM Degree and Proficiency. It was noted that some of these candidates attend stated communication but do not advance to their MM Degree to save on cost. Much discussion followed, a motion was made and approved to charge EA and FC candidates dues.
    c. RW Ken mentioned the Lifetime Membership prepayment program was up for a vote to be cancelled and removed from the CT-Grand Lodge website. The craft had further discussion, a motion to vote was made, and the craft voted in favor of keeping this program active, as is it currently being offered.
3. Reminder: Halloween Candy Handout is set for Saturday night, October 31st, where once again we will have tables set up on the sidewalk in front of the lodge. Volunteers needed as well as candy donations.
4. WMTC 2nd Annual Blood Drive scheduled for Saturday the 24th is all set. All are encouraged to attend and invite others. Bro. Michael Kenausis provided all the details.
5. WB Daniel Sharkis updated the craft on the success of the annual walk for the Dyslexia Center where donations raised to date total $20,000.

6. Wolcott Lodge No. 146 reached out to Bro. Michael Kensausis to discuss a potential merger with Harmony Lodge. They currently meet as a table lodge at a restaurant in Wolcott and desire to merge with Harmony, which would include turning in their charter. This is all very preliminary and no formal committee is needed to be assigned at this time.
7. WB Don Wismann announced to the craft that a special meeting was taking place this weekend in New Haven for brothers receiving 50-year service pins. And a reminder to AASR members that the Valley of Waterbury was presenting the 4th, 17th and 18th degrees next Wednesday, 28th, here at the lodge.
8. Senior Warden Matthew Ranaudo announced to the craft that he will not be advancing to East as Worshipful Master of the Lodge next year as he is making plans for a career change and moving out of state.
9. RW Ken Tarwood advised the craft that Seneca-St. Andrew's Lodge will be hosting a MM Degree here at Harmony Lodge on Saturday the 28th, 1-5PM. Asking for Harmony Lodge brothers to attend as we will be inviting our FC candidates to attend. A separate to the craft will be sent to the craft.
10. Sickness & Distress: WB Daniel Sharkis said that his father's, IB David, hand surgery went well and he's doing fine. WB Manny Tirado has been in and out of hospitals during his travels. Reach out to him to wish him well.

Having no further lodge business, WM Kevin asked RW Kenneth Tarwood to give tonight's final word, who sends warm and fraternal greetings from MWGM Shane Dufresne and proceeded to close the lodge at 9.00PM.

Upon review of the minutes, do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or comments

Respectfully Submitted

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P.S. The 1st brother who contacts me – via email, text or calling my cell phone – upon reading the minutes will receive a personal cash gift of $10 from me!