

**GILBERT BELNAP FAMILIES GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION  
D/B/A BELNAP FAMILY ORGANIZATION  
OFFICERS MEETING MINUTES  
OF FEBRUARY 23, 2025**

A meeting of the Officers of Gilbert Belnap Families Genealogical Association, a Utah non-profit corporation d/b/a Belnap Family Organization (the “Organization”), was held on February 23, 2025. The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m., Mountain Time, via web and teleconference.

**1. ROLL CALL.**

The following Officers were present at the meeting:

- Larry Julian (President)
- Michael Gray (1<sup>st</sup> Vice President)
- Brent Belnap (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President)
- Matt Purcell (Secretary)

Cheryl Johnson, in her role as Family Representative, was also in attendance.

**2. OPENING PRAYER.** Cheryl Johnson offered the opening prayer.

**3. FUNDRAISING.** Brent Belnap reported that we had received donations of nearly \$10,000 for the Jesse Belnap Memorial Monument. Specific information on donors and amounts will be shared separately from the meeting minutes. The Organization’s goal is \$15,000.

**4. JESSE BELNAP MEMORIAL MONUMENT.** Brent led a discussion on the Jesse Belnap memorial monument dedication set to take place on Saturday, June 27, 2026. The Officers agreed that the dedication would constitute the 2026 BFO Reunion. Here are the committee reports:

- **Cemetery:** No report. Matt will contact the sexton (Jeff Wakley, 814-450-5375, [jeffreywakley@gmail.com](mailto:jeffreywakley@gmail.com)) for coordination of the monument in the Phillips Cemetery in North East, PA.
- **Sons/Daughters of the Revolution:** No report. Contact is B. Lee Ellsworth, 814-823-9354, [blellsworth@gmail.com](mailto:blellsworth@gmail.com)).
- **Monument** (wording, engraving, ordering, delivery): Brent received a quote from Erie City Memorials. The granite marker will be \$8,325.
- **Program:** No report.
- **Fundraising:** Brent and Michael discussed the proposed fundraising letter that Brent will circulate for review.

**5. ROOTSTECH.** Larry Julian led a discussion regarding the Organization’s support and staffing of an LDS families’ association table.

**6. WELLS FARGO ACCOUNT.** Brent is working on adding additional signatories to the Organization’s checking account. Larry and Matt will be added as signatories so that there

will be three authorized signatories on the account. Matt contacted Wells Fargo and will sign the documents shortly.

7. **VENMO ACCOUNT.** The Venmo issue has been resolved, and the money was moved to Brent Belnap's Venmo account and then to the BFO Wells Fargo checking account.
8. **FUTURE MEETINGS.** The next meeting will be held on Sunday, April 27 and will be a joint meeting of the Officers and Family Representatives. A subsequent meeting will be held on Sunday, June 1 for Officers only.
9. **FRANCIS MARION BELNAP PHOTO SCAN.** Brent Belnap scanned a never-before-seen photo of Francis Marion Belnap.
10. **DOCUMENTARY PROJECT.** Brent Belnap is working with Austin Falter on a documentary video project in New York City and environs in June 2025.
11. **OGDEN PIONEER DAY PARADE.** Cheryl Johnson led a discussion on the Ogden Pioneer Day Parade and the Organization's participation in it. Materials cost will be approximately \$1,320 and we will need between 31-85 volunteers to march in the parade with the Organization. Cheryl will continue working with Brent Belnap and others on the details and will present at the April 27 joint meeting.
12. **ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to come before the Officers, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m. Mountain time.