## **Marine Corps League**

# Maj. Stephen W Pless Det. 1196

# Minutes of October 15, 2024

The meeting was opened per ritual by Commandant Larry Heard at 1900.

A roll call of officers found all present with the exception of the Senior Vice Commandant Randy Cooper who was absent. A quorum was present.

Guests were Daryl Hockett and Ron Bishop.

The minutes of the previous meeting were posted to the website, Harry McCann made the motion that they be approved as posted, and it was second by Michael Vernon. The minutes were passed by the Detachment.

**Correspondence:** A thank you message was received from Dick Morrow for the donation to the Military Affairs Committee of \$500 for the Homeless Veterans Initiative.

Harry McCann read a letter from Mary Donaldson on reference to the celebration of life for Bob Donaldson.

**Paymaster's Report:** The paymaster's report was read by Lisa Delk. A motion to approve pending financial review was made by Harry McCann and Michael Vernon was second, it was passed by the Detachment.

**Chaplain's Report:** Bill Miller has had recent surgery and is recovering. Russ Vermillion is also recovering from cancer treatment. Lisa Delk reported on her uncle who has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer and has had the tumor removed but is refusing any further treatment. Travis Gould is still battling his cancer issues.

## **Officer Reports:**

**Commandant:** Larry Heard advised he and Rex Delk travelled to Augusta, Ga and took supplies to assist Marine Corps League Members that were affected by the hurricane.

Senior Vice Commandant: Not present.

Junior Vice Commandant: Sent out emails but received no response

Judge Advocate: New copies of the up-dated National By-Laws are available were dropped of at the printer and should be available soon,

Junior Past Commandant: Nothing to report.

## **Standing Committees**

**Birthday Ball:** As we arrived tonight, sales of Birthday Ball tickets stood at 61, sales here tonight have raised that number to 68, but we are still a little short of our normal. There are still folks who have said they will be attending that we have not heard from yet. Please try to sell more tickets. The ROTC will not be with us this year because their Ball is the same night as ours. We will do the best we can with what we have. Next practice is Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> at 1830 at Barnstormers. If you are any part of the ceremony, BE THERE.

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Boy Scouts: Nothing to report.

**Fund Raising Committee:** After much discussion about the participation of the Concord Jubilee and the lack of benefit to our Detachment, even though we have already paid \$20 fee, Charlie Santoriello made a motion that we do not participate this year, Michael Vernon was a second on the motion and it was passed by the Detachment.

Finance Committee: No report.

Historian: No report

Honor Guard: Since our last meeting three funerals and the celebration of life for Bob Donaldson

**Marine of the Year:** The committee has not met to coordinate the nominations, Raak Patel asked anyone that has a nomination, please get the letter of nomination to him by this Friday evening.

Marine for Life: Nothing to report, the program is changing at National.

Military affairs: Nothing to report.

Quartermaster: No report

Toys for Tots: Our warehouse will be the same as last year at the Kiwanis Fairground

**Unfinished Business:** Our Detachment is hosting the Department Quarterly meeting and we need to approve expenditures for the breakfast and lunch. Bill Miller made a motion that we authorize up to \$400 for this event, Harry McCann was second on the motion and it was passed by the Detachment

**New Business:** 

Good of the League: Frank Goalen had boxes of 12 paring knives that he offered for one dollar a box.

Dena Santoriello Ferentini asked for all the officers to see her after the meeting so she can get pictures for the website.

The results of the Chili Cook Off were announced, Rex Delk was first, Lisa Delk was second and Randy Barnes was third.

The meeting was closed per ritual at 2000.

Respectfully Submitted,

Russ Vermillion, Adjutant