

United States Marine Corps League

Granite State Detachment #542

290 Granite St. Manchester NH 03102

11 September 2018 Meeting Minutes

Members present: Chris Alberding, Acting Commandant

Shawn Carboni Irene Rivet Mark Rivet John Petralito Judith Jones Kevin Brown

Ron Jones

John Jenkins

Bruce Katz

Ellen Petralito

Joe Duquette

David Larrabee

Meeting began at 1831. A quorum was present. Opening ceremonies were conducted by the Commandant, Chaplain, and Sgt at Arms.

Roll Call of Officers: All Officers were present or accounted for.

Applications for Membership: David Larrabee and Ron Jones

Adjutant Report: Bruce Katz moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Joe Duquette seconded. motion passed.

Correspondence: Letters of Thank you from Manchester VA for Bingo

Report of Paymaster: Checking Balance: \$11,306.38

Money Market: \$7,698.19 PayPal: \$298.75

John Jenkins moved to accept paymaster's report. John Petralito seconded. motion passed.

Presentation of Expenditures: None

Report of sickness and distress: Frank Diekmann in ICU. Franklin Hamilton experiencing back pain. Tony Romano had surgery.

Report of Officers and standing committees:

Awards Committee: None

Manchester Veterans Council: Early stages of planning of Veterans Day Parade

Fundraising: M1A rifle to be rifle for raffle, Manchester Gun Show in October 20 and 21

Membership: 2 new members (Ron Jones and David Larrabee) are installed as new members.

All GSD members are recruiters, use the brochures and business cards

Public Relations: Nothing to report

Scouting: 0

Scholarship: Nothing to report

VAVS: Bingo

Website: Activity has risen on both Facebook page and website

Fire Team Alpha: Quad State 2019 goodie bags and Activities will be discussed

Fire Team Bravo: Our Facebook page has seen an uptick in Likes and Shares.

Unfinished Business:

Change in Meeting Location is still in progress and we will have to change meeting night to change locations

Commandant's Goals:

Member Engagement: Increase % of members who participate in Detachment Activities.

Community Support: Who do we want to support? USMC has asked for more funeral detail help from MCL.

Membership: Sustain, increase, get younger

New Business: Quad State 2019 at Manchester Best Western Executive Court April 26-28

Membership dues are now due.

Good of the League: Detachment Activity Report-Report your detachment activities to John Jenkins.

Commandant, Tony Romano, and Gary Gahan volunteered at Building Dreams for Marines Golf Tournament on August 24

October 27 Judith Jones Halloween Party all are welcome

Upcoming Events: 2nd Tuesday of every month at 1830 Detachment meeting held at Elks club in Manchester NH (Next meeting October 9)

Last Saturday of every month at 0800 detachment breakfast held at the Airport Diner in Manchester NH

3rd Tuesday of every month at 1130 the "Together We Served" organization holds a luncheon in Rochester NH Contact Frank Diekmann for details.

30 September Memorial March and Service for the Merci Boxcar in NH meet at American Legion Post 43 56 Boutwell St Manchester NH @1200

20-21 October Manchester Gun Show at Downtown Manchester Hotel

10 November Flag Raising at Statehouse in Concord @0800

12 November MEB Birthday Luncheon at Executive Court in Manchester @ 1100

18 November Department Meeting at American Legion 7 Perley St Concord NH @ 1100

Meeting ended at 2020. Closing ceremonies were conducted by the Commandant, Chaplain, and Sgt at Arms.

Submitted by: Shawn Carboni, Detachment Adjutant and Sgt at Arm