



**United States Marine Corps League**

**Granite State Detachment #542**

**290 Granite St. Manchester NH 03102**

**08 October 2019 Meeting Minutes**

**Members present:** Derwood Haskell, Commandant

Shawn Carboni

John Petralito

Frank Diekmann

Ron Jones

Pauly Labbe

John Jenkins

Chris Alberding

Joe Duquette

Kevin Brown

Gary Gahan

**Guests:** Marge Romano

Meeting began at 1828. 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:** None

**Adjutant Report:** Motion made to accept the minutes from the previous meeting by Frank Diekmann. Seconded by Joe Duquette. Motion Passed.

**Correspondence:** Email from Marge Romano in regards to donating Tony's wheelchair

Thank you letter from George Snell's daughter

**Report of Paymaster:** Checking Balance: \$20,891.96

Money Market: PayPal: \$750.92

**Presentation of Expenditures:** none

**Report of sickness and distress:** George Comtose and Doc Freschi

**Report of Officers and standing committees:**

**Awards Committee:** None

**Manchester Veterans Council:** Manchester Veterans Day Parade November 11

**Fundraising:** Volunteers fro Manchester Gun Show

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

**Newsletter:** Corporate sponsor levels are Eagle, Globe, and Anchor first edition hopefully in November.

**Public Relations:** Nothing to report

**Scouting:** 1

**Scholarship:** none

**VAVS:** Bingo first Sunday of every month, volunteers always welcome

VAVS meeting November 6

**Website:** Activity has risen on both Facebook page and website

**Fire Team Alpha:** Flag Raising on November 10

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

**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

**Unfinished Business:**

Donations: \$1,000 to Building Dreams for Marines, \$500 to Young Marines, and \$500 to State Veterans Home Motion made by Kevin Brown. Seconded by Frank Diekmann. Motion passed.

Motion made to sponsor a table at Marine Birthday Luncheon (\$280) made by Shawn Carboni. Seconded by John Jenkins.

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

Brian retiring from VA in November maybe the Detachment could present something

**Upcoming Events:**

10 December 2019 membership meeting at 1830 Manchester Elks (no November meeting)

10 November 2019 Flag Raising at State House 0745 Breakfast afterwards

11 November 2019 Marine Corps Birthday Luncheon

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

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

Meeting ended at 2005. Closing ceremonies were conducted by the Commandant, Chaplain, and Sgt at Arms.

**Submitted by: Shawn Carboni, Detachment Adjutant**