



**AGENDA FOR
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
GRANITE STATE DETACHMENT #542
290 Granite St. Manchester NH 03102**

13 October 2020

**Opening Ceremony
Establishment of a Quorum**

**Conducted by the Commandant
Sergeant at Arms
(Two Elected Officers + 10% of membership)
Adjutant**

Roll Call of Officers

**P = Present
E = Excused
A = Absent**

Commandant	Derwood Haskell	p
Senior Vice Commandant	Chris Alberding	P
Junior Vice Commandant	John Jenkins	P
Judge Advocate	Kevin Brown	P
Adjutant	BJ Byers	P
Paymaster	Judith Jones	E
Chaplain	Joe Duquette	E
Quartermaster	John Petralito	P
Sergeant at Arms	Ron Jones	E
Web Sergeant	Chris Alberding	P

Other Members in Attendance: Shawn Carboni, Gary Gahan, Marge Romano, Teresa Hamlin, Chris Pierce, Gerard B. Tanguay, Paulie, Ellen Petralito

Guests: **None**
Meeting began at 1832. A quorum was present. Opening ceremonies were conducted by the Commandant, Chaplain, and Sgt at Arms.

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

Applications for Membership:	N/A
Adjutant Report:	Motion made to accept the minutes by Shawn Carboni. Seconded by Gary Gahan. Motion approved by a majority of Officers present.
Correspondence:	Received request for more money from NH Food Bank
Announcements:	Manchester Birthday Ball Ceremony is cancelled this year Toys for Tots participation is up in the air. Shawn Carboni will look into it. Flag raising at the State House in Concord MAY BE cancelled. John Jenkins will look into it.
Report of Paymaster:	Checking Balance: \$18,431.57 PayPal: \$210.74 Motion made to accept Report of Paymaster by Chris Alberding. Seconded by Gary Gahan. Motion Approved by a majority of Officers present. State of NH Non Profit Report due December 31 st (Every 5 years)
Presentation of Expenditures:	Nothing to report
Report of sickness and distress:	Doc Plichta just got over COVID19. He's lost his memory. He can have Visitors but only one at a time. George Comptois' wife has Lime Disease
Report of Officers and standing committees:	
Awards Committee:	Nothing to Report
Chair – Woody Haskell Chris Alberding Shawn Carboni.	
Manchester Veterans Council:	DAV is installing a Vietnam Memorial at Veterans Park
Chair – Shawn Carboni Sons of the Union Veterans – Valley Street Cemetery has over 100 Civil War Veterans, 5 or so Revolutionary War Veterans and a Medal Of Honor Veteran buried there.	
Fundraising:	Nothing to Report
Chair – Chris Alberding & John Jenkins	
Membership:	All GSD members are recruiters, use the brochures and Business Cards.
Chair – John Jenkins	

Bruce Katz
Chris Alberding

ALL GSD MEMBERS

Newsletter:

John Petralito
Ellen Petralito
Ron Jones

BJ Byers made a motion to create a position of "Editor In Chief" of the Granite State Detachment Newsletter and that we nominate Marge to fill the position. Seconded by Kevin Brown. Motion was approved by a majority of Officers present.

Public Relations:

Chair – Bruce Katz

Nothing to report

Scouting Committee

Chair – Kevin Brown

Nothing to report

Scholarships

Chair – Woody Haskell
Bruce Katz
Frank Diekman

Nothing to report

VAVS

Representative Joe Duquette

Bingo

BINGO IS SUSPENDED DUE TO CORONAVIRUS

Bingo is held the first Sunday of every month, volunteers always welcome.

Website:

Chris Alberding
Bruce Katz

Nothing to report

Fire Team Alpha:

Detachment Social Activities

Gary Gahan
Nancy Gero
Ellen Petralito
John Petralito
Pauly Labbe
Judith Jones

Nothing to report

Fire Team Bravo:

Social Media

Chris Alberding
Bruce Katz

Nothing to report

Commandant's Goals:

1. **Member Engagement:** Increase % of members who participate in Detachment Activities.
2. **Community Support:** Who do we want to support? USMC has asked for more funeral detail help from MCL.
3. **Membership:** Sustain, increase, get younger

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

Ellen made a suggestion that we read General Lejeune's message at the next monthly meeting. We all agreed that we could watch the HQMC released Birthday Ball Message. Chris Alberding will bring his projector and screen to next meeting so we can watch the message.

Chris Alberding has set up an online auction for the Eagle, Globe and Anchor that Marge donated. Auction will go live tonight at midnight. 1 for \$5, 3 for \$10, 8 for \$20. There is a link on our website. \$1,000 is the goal and the company that we are utilizing charges 7%.

Detachment wants to know why we have not received membership cards..... ongoing issue.

Gary Gahan made a motion to donate \$500 to "Building Dreams for Marines", it was seconded by Kevin Brown. Motion approved by a majority of Officers present.

Chris Alberding made a motion to donate \$100 to Marine Corps Heritage Foundation, seconded by Gary Gahan. Motion approved by a majority of Officers present.

Chris Alberding made a motion to donate \$250 to NH Food Bank, seconded by Gary Gahan. Motion approved by a majority of Officers present.

BJ Byers was nominated to fill the position of Detachment Commandant and BJ expressed that he would accept the position.

Chris Alberding expressed that he would like to step down as Senior Vice.

Chris Alberding nominated John Jenkins for Senior Vice and John expressed that he would accept the position.

John Jenkins nominated Chris Pierce as Junior Vice Commandant Chris expressed that he would accept the nomination.

Kevin Brown nominated Chris Alberding for Judge Advocate. Chris expressed that he would accept the position

Good of the League:

Nothing to report

Upcoming Events:

The National MCL guidance is to suspend membership meetings and events in the midst of the current pandemic. The Granite State Detachment continues to monitor and support Marines and their families through this page and electronic communications. If you need assistance, please give your best contact number or email. Marines take care of their own. All matters are treated with respect and confidentiality.

Meeting ended at 2000. Closing ceremonies were conducted by the Commandant, Chaplain, and Sgt at Arms.

Submitted by: BJ Byers, Detachment Adjutant