

**Billy Stelpflug Detachment #1064  
Marine Corps League  
Business Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** 05/20/2023  
**Location:** Clubhouse at Auburn Legends,  
41 Lee Rd, Auburn, AL 36832  
**Recorded By:** Rudy Vuchinich, Adjutant/Paymaster

**Called to Order:** 0730 by Gene Stanaland, Sr Vice Commandant

**Raffle:** \$30 won by Rusty Alums and donated back to the Detachment

**Attendance: Officers present:** Gene Stanaland, Sr Vice Commandant  
Rusty Alums, Jr Past Commandant  
Rudy Vuchinich, Adjutant/Paymaster  
John Reichman, Sgt at Arms  
Jim Doyle, Webmaster  
Mike Carreca, Jr Vice Commandant  
Ron Russell, Chaplin

**Officers absent:** Matt Wilson, Commandant  
Ricardo Garcia, Marine for Life  
Harry Hooper, Judge Advocate  
Robert C. Jonson, Jr Past Commandant

**Members present:** John Reichmann, Rusty Alums, Rudy Vuchinich, Gene Stanaland, Harry Waites, Fred Hamff, Earl Allen, Mike Carreca, Jim Doyle.

**Adjutant/Paymaster Report:** Current account balance is \$9047.80. Transactions since April 2023 meeting: \$40.00 deposit for raffle. \$25.00 Donation from Grant Parker. The Detachment received reimbursement of \$169.00 from the Tag Fund for Leonard Riley expenses. The Tag Fund committee declined our request for reimbursement for last year' scholarships (\$5000.00). Subsequent discussion indicated that the Tag Fund Committee is inconsistent in their decisions.

**Health and Welfare Report:** Perry and Edna Caldwell are in Arbor Springs Health and Rehab. Earl Allen, Bob Jonson, and Donald Sanders are recovering well from surgery. John Reichman and Caleb Pipes will have surgery soon. Jim Doyle's son is still waiting for a kidney. Gunny Garcia is on an internship in Knoxville TN.

**Food Bank:** Donald Sanders and his wife, Norma, volunteered at the last Food Bank day plus an additional day. Gene Stanaland also volunteered. Our shift is from 8:00 to 12:00 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month. Food bank is located at 355 Industry Dr, Auburn, AL 36832, 334 821-9006.

**Eugene Sledge Uniform:** Progress is occurring on the display of Marine Corps veteran Eugene Sledge's uniform and memorabilia. A display case is estimated to cost \$6500.00, and funds are being received for this item. Rumor has it that \$2000.00 has been donated by an organization in Tuscaloosa. Ron Russell moved and Caleb Pipes seconded that our Detachment donate \$1000.00 to the fund. Rusty Alums urged caution about this effort until we are sure this is consistent with the family's wishes. The motion was tabled until more information is forthcoming. Rusty will attempt to contact Mr. Sledge's sons to check on this.

**Installation of Officers:** The following officers were installed by Caleb Pipes, former Commandant:

Commandant:	Gene Stanaland
Sr. Vice Commandant:	Matt Wilson
Adjutant/Paymaster:	Rudy Vuchinich
Jr. Vice Commandant:	Mike Carreca
Jr. Past Commandant:	Rusty Alums
Sgt. At Arms:	John Reichmann
Judge Advocate:	Bob Jonson
Ron Russell:	Chaplain
Jim Doyle:	Webmaster
Marine for life:	Ricardo Garcia

**Detachment Social:** The next Social will be in July. More information to follow.

**DARE Program:** More information will follow regarding the detachment's involvement in this summer's DARE program.

**Mayor's Memorial Day Breakfast:** Members are encouraged to attend this event. Information is available in separate emails.

**Adjourned** at 0825

**Next Meeting:** The next regular business meeting will be in July 2023.

