Billy Stelpflug Detachment #1064 Marine Corps League Business Meeting Minutes

Date: 05/21/2022

Location: Commandant Matt Wilson's residence Recorded By: Rudy Vuchinich, Adjutant/Paymaster

Called to Order: 0745 by Matt Wilson, Commandant

Raffle: \$42 won by Gene Stanaland and donated back to the Detachment

Attendance: Officers present: Matt Wilson, Commandant

Gene Stanaland, Sr Vice Commandant Mike Carreca, Jr Vice Commandant Rudy Vuchinich, Adjutant/Paymaster

John Reichman, Sgt at Arms

Ron Russell, Chaplin

Robert C. Jonson, Jr Past Commandant

Officers absent: Harry Hooper, Judge Advocate

Jim Doyle, Webmaster

Ricardo Garcia, Marine for Life

Members present: John Reichmann, Rusty Alums, Ron Russell, Rudy Vuchinich, Earl Allen, Gene Stanaland, Bob Jonson, Matt Wilson, Mike Carreca, George Thompson, Fred Hamff

Paymaster Report: Current account balance is \$9327.84.

Health and Welfare: Perry Caldwell is still recovering and is engaged in rehab.

Food Bank: Rusty Alums reported that three Detachment members worked at the food bank on our most recent scheduled day. The Detachment still has a detail at the food bank on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Rusty Alums will send out email reminders for these dates and hopefully increase attendance.

Other Items: (1) Certificates were awarded to Mike Carreca and Perry Caldwell (in absentia) for service to the Detachment. Matt Wilson awarded a plaque to Bob Jonson for service as Commandant.

- (2) The Auburn Mayor's Memorial Day Breakfast will be on Monday, May 30, 2022, at 8:00. Grady Jones will be honored during the event. Matt Wilson has purchased four tables (32 seats) for Detachment members and guests. Tickets are \$25.00.
- (3) Ron Russell brought up a Marine who is in need of financial assistance, Leonard Riley and his significant-other Diane Stinson. Mr. Riley has applied for \$2800.00 from the MCL Department of AL tag fund. He also is in need of \$169.00 imminently to pay a utility bill to Opelika Power Services. Gene Stanaland made a motion (seconded by Mike Carreca) to write a check for Ms. Stinson to pay the utility bill, which was passed unanimously, and the check was given to Ron. Ron will monitor Mr. Riley's future financial needs to see if he is in need of more assistance.
- (4) Bob Jonson reported that he has initiated a conversation with Saugahatchee Country Club regarding holding our 2022 Marine Corps Birthday celebration at their facility. The costs for the event have yet to be determined. Support for this facility was mixed and the issue was tabled pending further developments.
- (5) Mike Carreca gave a report on his recent EMA activities: (a) Everyone should proceed to get their fourth Covid vaccine shot ASAP (and certainly their third shot is they haven't already done so). Free vaccines are available at the VAMC and CVS, as well as other pharmacies. (b) EAMC has reinstituted their mask mandate for the Medical Center and associated facilities.
- (6) Mike also reported on a conversation with the Firing Pin Shooting Sports shooting range regarding the possibility of having a membership event at the facility. Costs would be \$475.00 per hour for 18 people, plus any firearm rental and ammunition. No action was taken on this item.
- (7) The meeting was adjourned and the members went to Matt's place for the flag burning.

Next Meeting: The June meeting will be at the Trinity Lutheran church.

Adjourned at 0900